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1. **T**HE Farmer's Tour thro' the East of England. Being a register of a journey thro' various counties of this kingdom, to enquire into the state of agriculture, &c. By the author of the farmer's letters, and the tour thro' the north and south of England. 4 vols. 8vo. 1l. 4s. bound. Nicoll.

This work is the production of a Mr. Young, and the most extensive of any hitherto published on the subject. It exhibits so accurate an account of the expences and product of farming, from the experiments made in every county, that it must tend to diffuse a reciprocal improvement universally over the nation.

Critical Review.

We doubt not but our judicious and impartial readers will approve the liberal praise we have bestowed on the eastern tour.

Monthly Review.

2. The natural History of the human Teeth. Illustrated with copper-plates. By John Hunter, F. R. S. 4to. 16s. boards. Johnson.

The author of this work has conducted his enquiries upon the plan of an anatomist and a man of science. His determinations are supported by experiments; and are the result of many years experience. The descriptions are illustrated by 16 copper-plates, so accurately and elegantly engraved, as cannot fail of affording satisfaction to every reader.

Critical Review.

The name of the author and the care and expence which this work evidently discovers, must be a sufficient recommendation of it to the public.

Lond. Magazine.

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3. An authentic Narrative of the oppression of the Islanders of Jersey. To which is prefixed, a succinct history of the military actions, constitution, laws, customs, and commerce of that island. 2 vols. 8vo. 12s. bound. Hooper.

The author of these volumes tells his story with some warmth, but professes to have no private resentments. His style is sometimes turgid, and his use of words derived from the Latin, sometimes degenerates into affectation. Critical Review.

This account appears to be judiciously compiled, and the whole performance, we think, cannot fail of affording satisfaction to all who are interested in the prosperity of that part of the British dominions. Ledger.

4. The Works of Algernon Sidney. A new edition. 4to. 1l. 7s. Cadell.

The first edition was printed in 1698, the second in 1704, by John Toland, in folio. Since this, two other editions have been published, one in folio, the other in quarto. The present edition is the best that has yet appeared, and contains a complete collection of all the writings of Sidney, with a great variety of historical annotations. It is enlarged with the letters taken from Thurloe's state papers, the Protector's advice, and the general view of government in Europe. Critical Review.

5. The Life of Servetus, the anti-trinitarian. By Jaques George de Chauftepie. Translated from the French, by James Yaer, minister of the Scotch Church at Campvere. 8vo. 4s. Baldwin.

Translated with fidelity. Critical Review.

The intention of the translator seems to have been to vindicate Calvin from the charge of persecution. Lond. Magazine.

6. A Dissertation on Miracles, designed to shew, that they are arguments of a divine interposition, and absolute proofs of the mission and doctrine of a prophet: by Hugh Farmer. 8vo. 6s. sewed. Cadell.

What is attempted in this work, is to refute those principles of demonism, which have done so much discredit to the arguments drawn from miracles, in favour of revelation. The author has displayed great learning, accuracy and judgment in his enquiries; has struck out of the common road, and presented us with many new and curious observations. Critical Review.

7. Discourses upon the divine covenants; or an enquiry into the origin and progress of religion, natural and revealed. Part I. by the reverend James Hingeston, M. A. 8vo. 5s. sewed. Hingeston.

Designed to shew, that God has vouchsafed many covenants to man, with privileges and sanctions peculiar to each; that all our expectations are founded upon these covenants, and that the seeming diversity which appears in the dispensations of Providence, has
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arisen from men alone disturbing that order and harmony, otherwise observable in the works of God.

Tho' the learned author has not suggested many new and uncommon observations; tho' he has supported only commonly-received opinions, yet the book will afford satisfaction. A strain of candour, modesty, and good sense runs thro' the whole. He thinks deeply, reasons coolly and closely, and seems to have sought the discovery of religious truth.

Critical Review.

8. The *Christiad*; an heroic poem; in 6 books: written by Marcus Hieronimus Vida, and translated into English verse, by Edward Granam, M. A. 8vo. 6s. Baldwin.

The original was written in Latin in 1532, and has been applauded by various authors, viz. Scaliger, Sixtus Senenisi, Thuanus and Pope. It is on a subject, calculated to inspire every poetical breast with enthusiasm. Vida's language is lofty and sonorous; but this translation of it is very far from adding either grace or dignity to the original.

Critical Review.

9. The *Contemplative Man*; or the history of Christopher Crab, Esq; of North Wales. 2 vols. 8vo. 5s. Whiston.

The author of these volumes wrote also the adventures of common sense. They afford more entertainment in the perusal than there is reason to expect in the title. Some of the characters are supported with tolerable humour.

Critical Review.

A humourous account of the transactions of a Welch family. The incidents are not only humourous but entertaining. The characters are naturally discriminated, and the plan of the whole conducted with probability.

Ledger.

10. An *Essay on the Nature and Immutability of Truth*, in opposition to sophistry and scepticism. By James Beattie, L.L.D. 8vo. 6s. Dilly.

To extricate the understanding from the illusions of metaphysical sophistry, to recal the devious steps of philosophy into the paths that lead to truth, and to establish it on the principles of common sense, is the design of this interesting and important work.

Critical Review.

11. *Zobeide*, a tragedy, as acted at Covent Garden. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Cadell.

Founded on an unfinished piece of Voltaire's, called les Scythes. It is not a mere translation, many speeches being entirely new, and several scenes in the 4th and 5th acts nearly original. The style is elegant and nervous, and the variations masterly and judicious: in short, it is one of the most pleasing dramas which has hitherto been imported from France.

Critical Review.

Tho' Mr. Craddock has made alterations in it, it has still rather the appearance of an outline or sketch, as Voltaire left it, than of a

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finished production. Indeed several scenes of the 4th and 5th acts are highly wrought, and contain a variety of noble and striking passages. Monthly Review.

This piece is sentimental, but not pathetic. The incidents are too few to keep the attention awake, or to leave room for what the French call the *jeu de theatre*: accordingly it has languished and died away in the representation. Lond. Magazine.

The author is a Mr. Craddock, a Leicestershire gentleman; he gave the property of the piece to Mrs. Yates the player.

12. An Essay upon the effects of Camphire and Calomel in continual fevers. Illustrated by several cases. By Daniel Lysons, M. D. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Wilkie.

The remedies here recommended are two of the most efficacious in all the *materia medica*; and we cannot avoid recommending this essay to the faculty, whose attention it merits in the highest degree.

Critical Review.

13. The Theatres. A poetical dissection. By Sir Nicholas Nipclofe, Bart. 4to. 3s. Bell.

The author of this dissection seems to have undertaken it in such a fit of passion, that it would have been surprizing if he had not mangled the principal personages he had selected for the exercise of his indignation. It must be acknowledged that in describing some of the actors, he discovers a talent for sarcasm, but yet his satire degenerates into personal invective. Critical Review.

The author has waspishly poured out a great deal of virulent invective, not only against the principal performers, but the managers of both theatres. Monthly Review.

This piece, which is intended as a satire upon the gentlemen of the two theatres, and particularly upon the managers, discovers much virulence and rancour, but not so much art or ingenuity.

Lond. Magazine.

On the plan of Churchill's *Rosciad* and Kelly's *Thespis*, but it falls far short in the poetry of the first and the satire of the last. There is indeed such a vein of partiality runs thro' the whole, that we cannot but think it written with some *picque* against many celebrated performers; and we are the more inclined to this opinion, as we are informed it is written by an actor, who is much inferior to almost every one he has so severely condemned.

Town & C. Mag.

If futile remarks, feeble objections, miserable puns, wretched epigrams, deplorable rhimes, ungrammatical prose, violent threats, ridiculous suppositions, false allusions, in short, the most peevish jumble of incongruity that ever human imaginations threw together, can do honour to a publication, — my *Theatres* dissected must stand much indebted to my numerous news-paper correspondents and critical reviewers, as they have not produced one instance of violated truth, prostituted praise, or partial censure. The author.

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14. Fables, Odes, and miscellaneous Poems. By Elizabeth Fell. 8vo. 3s. bound. Robson.

When a lady is tired with the affairs of her household, it would be hard to debar her from the innocent amusements of fancy; Mrs. Fell, therefore, has our permission to range uncontrouled in the environs of Parnassus. Critical Review.

15. Poems on several occasions. By William Dine. 8vo. 1s. Robinson and Roberts.

They discover the effects of a natural genius, struggling under misfortunes, and we cannot help regretting that Mr. Dine has not enjoyed the advantages of a situation more favourable to a display of the poetical talents which he seems to possess. Critical Review.

William Dine is clerk of the parish of Chiddingfold in Sussex. Poor man! We heartily wish his circumstances were better, but we imagine the printing his verses is not the way to mend them. Monthly Review.

16. Religion. A poem. By G. Mennell, Lieutenant of his Majesty's Ship Namur. 4to. 1s.

For this excursion beyond his province, the author is not subject to any martial law, and we shall shew him the same indulgence, in the court of criticism. Critical Review.

17. Timon of Athens. A tragedy altered from Shakespear; by Richard Cumberland, Esq; acted at Drury-Lane. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Becket.

No injudicious alteration of the original piece. It has the addition of a female character; however we should have been better pleased, either to have read or seen this play as it issued first from the creative brain of Shakespear. Critical Review.

Mr. Cumberland, has retrenched some extravagancies and lopped off some excrescences which have disfigured this play, without emasculating the manly spirit and vigour of Shakespear. Monthly Review.

18. Amelia. A musical entertainment, performed at Drury-Lane. 8vo. 1s. Becket.

We despair not to see this infant piece soon enjoying all the benefits that result from undisturbed repose. Critical Review.

This piece was first acted and published in 1738. It is now revived with alterations, but they are not considerable enough to be taken notice of. Monthly Review.

A bagatelle, of which the dialogue seems calculated for introducing the songs. In that light it is tolerable; sinking neither to meanness, nor soaring above mediocrity. Lond. Magazine.

The most dull, inconsistent, uninteresting performance ever seen. The story improbable, the incidents unnatural and unnecessary, and

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the whole piece devoid of wit, humour, and every thing that can convey either instruction or entertainment. Town & C. Mag.

19. The Phoenix: or the history of Poliarchus and Argenis. 4 vols. 12mo. 10s. sewed. Bell.

A translation by a lady of the Argenis of Barclay, first published in Latin, in 1621. The Argenis has been highly commended by several learned and ingenious men, as a good romance of the last age. It appears to be an old translation modernized. Critical Review.

A new translation of that old romance, Barclay's Argenis; to which is prefixed a judicious account of Barclay's design, and of the merit of his performance. Monthly Review.

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Lond. Magazine.

23. An Essay on the diseases of the Bile, &c. by William White, F. S. A. 8vo. 1s. Bell.

This essay contains a good account of biliary disorders, but the author has made no improvement in practice. Critical Review.

24. Account of the Jewish doctrine of the Resurrection of the dead. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Johnson.

A tract modestly designed to prove that the doctrine of a resurrection was unknown among the ancient Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans. Critical Review.

25. The Scripture doctrine of Christ's Sonship; being sermons on the divine filiation of Jesus, the only begotten of the Father. To which are subjoined, three short discourses on Psalm ii. 12. by Benjamin Wallin. M. A. 8vo. 2s. 6d. Dilly.

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exhortations, plentifully interspersed with texts of scripture, will not be disappointed in the perusal of these discourses.

Critical Review.

26. A Conversation between Richard Hill, Esq; the Rev. Mr. Madan, and Father Walsh, superior of a convent of English Benedictine Monks at Paris, &c. 8vo. 6d. Dilly.

The chief design of this frivolous publication, is to point out and expose some inconsistencies, with respect to the imputation of Christ's righteousness, and other points of religion, in the writings of Mr. John Wesley.

Critical Review.

An attempt to convict Mr. Wesley of the grossest prevarication and inconsistency.

Monthly Review.

27. A short Account of the conversion to christianity of Solomon Duitseh, written by himself; with a preface and remarks by the Rev. Mr. Burgmann, minister of the protestant lutheran chapel in the Savoy. 12mo. 2s. Wilkie.

The publication abounds with supernatural calls, dreams and visions, which Mr. Burgmann is pleased to style, "the wonderful dealings of God with Christian Solomon Duitseh."

Critical Review.

The title of this piece fully explains it.

Town & C. Mag.

28. Familiar Epistles to the Rev. Dr. Priestly, of Leeds in Yorkshire. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Johnson.

A smart attack on Dr. Priestly's undertaking to shew that the charges brought by him against the orthodox, are applicable to none but persons of the Dr's own persuasion. There is an air of facetiousness and good humour in these epistles which seldom appears in the productions of polemical writers.

Critical Review.

Dr. Priestley's pamphlets on religious subjects appear to have given great discontent to many orthodox Christians. This contains a full confutation of several of the Doctor's opinions and that supported with uncommon spirit.

Ledger.

29. A summary View of the Laws relating to Subscriptions, &c. 8vo. 6d. Wilkie.

This publication will be serviceable to every one who is desirous of making himself acquainted with the several laws and ordinances upon which ecclesiastical constitution is established. It seems to be drawn up with accuracy and judgment, in favour of the scheme lately projected for abolishing subscriptions.

Critical Review.

30. The requisition of Subscription to the 39 articles and liturgy of the church of England, not inconsistent with christian liberty: a sermon. 4to. 1s. Flexney.

Written some years ago in answer to the confessional. The author in the preface endeavours to answer the principal reasons which
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have been alledged for the abolition of subscription to the 39 articles; &c. Critical Review.

The author of this discourse appears to be a man of abilities, but we can neither agree with him in his reasonings, nor approve of the temper with which he writes. Monthly Review.

31. Considerations offered to the public and to the subscribers for relief against subscriptions, &c. by Samuel Roe. M. A. 8vo. 6d. Kearsley.

Bad.

Critical Review.

If ignorance, bigotry, nonsense and false grammar constituted the principal excellences of literary compositions, to what a great degree of applause would Mr. Samuel Roe's production be entitled! Monthly Review.

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Critical Review.

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This gentleman may very well call his performance, free thoughts, for he has treated the person he writes against, with great freedom indeed, unbecoming either the christian or the gentleman. His arguments are such as have been refuted again and again.

Monthly Review.

Very free we acknowledge, but we also think to very little purpose. Town & C. Mag.

34. Sermons by F. Webb. Vol. III. and IV. 8vo. 7s. Kearsley.

The 1st. and 2d. vols. were published in 1766. The author possesses a warm imagination and expresses his sentiments in a style which is clear, correct and lively, but sometimes a little too much embellished with florid epithets and poetical ornaments,

Critical Review.

35. The Causes and Consequences of evil-speaking against Government; considered in a sermon preached before the university of Cambridge, on the king's accession, 1771. By John Gordon, D. D. archdeacon of Lincoln. 4to. 1s. Beecroft.

The learned and ingenious author of this discourse, severely chastises the pretended patriot, who rashly and indiscreetly contends for liberty; the sullen, discontented, insolent and untractable citizen, and the

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the popular declaimer who represents the ministry as a junto of fiends or harpies, and the court as a pandæmonium. Critical Review.

A very loyal, declamatory, court sermon, in which we think, the judgment of the preacher is less conspicuous than his zealous attachment to the "powers that be." Monthly Review.

36. A Word of friendly Reproof and Instruction to those who seldom go to Church. 8vo. 4d. Dilly.

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Critical Review.

37. A serious and earnest Address to Protestant Dissenters. 12mo. 3d. Johnson.

Briefly representing the objections which have been occasionally advanced by the dissenters against the established church. The author has here treated the church as the populace sometimes treat the Pope on the 5th of November, when they make his effigy as frightful as a demon, and then insult it and throw it into the fire.

Critical Review.

38. Outlines of the natural History of Great Britain and Ireland. By John Berkenhout, M. D. Vol. III. 8vo. 2s. 6d. boards. Elmsley.

This volume completes the work; and we may recommend these outlines as an useful abstract of natural history. Critical Review.

Must be useful to young practitioners in physic.

Town & C. Mag.

39. The Husbandman's Directory. By Francis Millar. 12mo. 2s. Tomlinson.

An imperfect and injudicious collection, incorrectly printed on brown paper.

Critical Review.

40. A Treatise on Copal Oil Varnish. 8vo. 5s. Crowder.

The receipt here given for making the varnish is abundantly explicit, and tho' the author be anonymous, yet the ingenuous manner in which he writes, affords no room to question his veracity. The author has subjoined some observations on the impositions of coach-makers, relative to the decorating of carriages. Critical Review.

41. Every Man his own Gauger. By J. Illenden. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Baldwin.

To those who chuse to encourage the undertaking by the purchase of these tables, we recommend them as very fit for the pocket, being scarce above the size of a two-penny memorandum book, of little or no weight and consequently extremely portable. Critical Review.

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42. A compendious and perfect Accidence of the French tongue. 12mo. 1s. Ridley.

Tho' the size of this treatise is much too small to contain a perfect accidence of the French language; it is a concise abridgment and may be perused with some advantage by young scholars.

Critical Review.

43. An easy, comprehensive, and familiar French Grammar, by G. Maffon. 12mo. 2s. Nourse.

This treatise fully answers the idea given of it in the title, and is well adapted to facilitate the study of the French language.

Critical Review.

44. The Nature and Institution of Government, containing an account of the feudal and English policy. By William Smith. M. D. 8vo. 2 vols. 12s. bound. Owen.

The account here given of the feudal polity, has not merit sufficient to entitle it to approbation. The feudal arrangements are too complicated for our author's understanding. He appears to be without taste, capacity, or erudition, and is destitute of every claim to recommendation and applause.

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45. A new, Geographical, Historical, and Commercial Grammar and present state of the several kingdoms of the world, with a table of the coins of all nations and the value in English money. By William Guthrie, Esq; illustrated with a new and correct set of maps, engraved by Kitchen; the astronomical part by James Ferguson, F. R. S. 8vo. 6s. Knox.

This is without doubt the completest book of the kind, which has hitherto been offered to the public, and on that account is worthy of encouragement. In the description here given of the different quarters of the globe, our author is tolerably accurate and very comprehensive, and to these he has added a compendious and not uninteresting detail of their history.

Monthly Review.

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46. The History of England, from the earliest times to the death of George II. By Dr. Goldsmith. 8vo. 4 vols. 1l. 1s. boards. Davies, Becket, &c.

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Little better than an unintelligible compilation, without judgment, language or grammar, put together by the Lord knows who.
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48. Medical Observations and Enquiries. By a society of physicians in London. Vol. IV. 8vo. 5s. Cadell.

A valuable collection of extraordinary cases, of great use to the physical world, published from time to time. Monthly Review.

49. Philosophical Transactions. Vol. LX; For the year 1770. 4to. 15s. sewed. Davies.

Too well known by men of letters, to need any further account.

50. The history of the Art of Horsemanship. By Richard Benger, Esq; gentleman of the horse to his Majesty. 4to. 2 vols. 2l. 2s. boards. Davies, &c.

An elegant work, the first vol. of which contains the history of horsemanship from the earliest accounts, with a detail of the qualities of horses in different countries. To these is added a translation of Xenophon's treatise of horsemanship, a valuable tract; a dissertation on the ancient chariot; the exercise of it in the race, and the application of it to real service in war, given to Mr. Benger by governor Pownall. The second volume contains the principles of the art of horsemanship, and a dissertation on the merits of the various kinds of bits. Our author appears to be a man of reading, and seems to have been indefatigable in his enquiries.
Monthly Review.

51. The History and Antiquities of the conventual and cathedral Church at Ely; from the foundation of the monastery, A. D. 673. to the year 1771; illustrated with copper-plates. By James Bentham. M. A. F. S. A. Rector of Feltwell, St. Nicholas, Norfolk, and late minor canon of Ely. 4to. royal paper, 1l. 11s. 6d. sewed. Cambridge printed, and sold by Bathurst, London.

To those who are fond of the study of ecclesiastical antiquities, this publication will be highly acceptable. Mr. Bentham appears to have examined with much industry and attention, every historical monument and authority that could throw any light upon his subject. He has added an appendix, containing a variety of ancient charters, and other authentic writings, together with several

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critical disquisitions by himself and his friends, which discover great erudition. The plates are elegant and seem to be executed with accuracy. Monthly Review.

52. An Essay on national Pride, translated from the German of Mr. Zimmerham, physician in ordinary to his Britannick Majesty at Hanover. 12mo. 3s. Wilkie.

By amplifying the single observation, that all mankind are proud of something or other, Mr. Zimmerham has ingeniously contrived to spin out an entertaining, philosophical miscellany, wherein he with some judgment displays the particularities in point of pride of different nations. Monthly Review.

53. Letters on the French nation, considered in different departments; with many interesting particulars relating to its placemen. By Sir Robert Talbot, who attended the duke of Bedford to Paris in 1762. Translated from the French. 12mo. 2 vols. 6s. sewed. White.

The name of Sir Robert Talbot is obviously fictitious. The real author we conclude to have been some ingenious foreigner, who having gained a competent stock of political knowledge, and anecdotes of the times, chose to turn it to what literary advantage he might make of a couple of very readable volumes. The original first appeared at Amsterdam in 1766. The writer, whoever he is, appears to be well acquainted with the political state of France and reasons on a great variety of topics, in a manner which not only shews the man of sense and the philosopher, but the man of the world. The translation has some merit, and is enhanced by some very judicious notes. Monthly Review.

Whether these letters be, or be not, written by a Sir Robert Talbot, is immaterial. The letters convey much amusement and some instruction. The writer seems to have a turn for political observation and reflection. Make but a due allowance for his predilection for monarchical principles, and you will find these two volumes no bad picture of the present state of France.

Lond. Magazine.

54. Epistolæ Turcicæ & narrationes Persicæ editæ ac Latinæ conversæ, a Joh. Ury. 4to. 2s. 6d. Oxon. Sold by Wilkie, London.

This publication may be of singular advantage to those, who wish to make a proficiency in the Turkish and Persian dialects: tho' the original pieces cannot boast of much intrinsic merit. With respect to the translation, it discovers more correctness than elegance, and more labour than taste. Monthly Review.

55. The Ladies Polite Secretary; or a new female letter-writer. Containing an elegant variety of interesting and instructive letters,

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letters, intended as a model to form the style on every point essential to the happiness or entertainment of the sex. To which is prefixed, a short but comprehensive grammar of the English language. The whole so calculated, that any lady may, in a very short time, be enabled to write her thoughts with a becoming propriety and ease. By the right honourable Lady Dorothea Dobois. 12mo. 2s. Coote.

These letters in general are neither ill-written nor ill-calculated for the purposes designed. There are a number of good letters in the latter part of this collection, taken from authors of reputation.

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56. Tables for the easy valuing of Estates, from 1s. to 5l. per acre; also the parts of one acre, from three roods to one perch. By Bernard Scale, land-surveyor, topographer, and valuer of estates. 8vo. 5s. sewed. Cadell.

The obvious utility of these tables to particular persons renders any recommendation unnecessary. To make this work further useful, tables are added of reduction of English money into Irish, and of Irish-plantation measure into English-statute measure, and e contrario.

Monthly Review.

57. A new Grammar of the English language; or an easy introduction to the art of speaking, writing, &c. By D. Fenning, 12mo. 1s. 6d. Crowder.

Well calculated for the use of English learners. We do not remember to have seen any thing of the kind, delivered in so plain and familiar manner.

Monthly Review.

58. Free Thoughts on Seduction, Adultery, and Divorce, with reflections on the gallantry of princes, occasioned by the late intrigues between the Duke of Cumberland and Lady Grosvenor. Also remarks on the trial at law, with observations on the depositions since taken, in the cause depending between Lord Grosvenor and his Lady. By a civilian: 8vo: 5s. 3d. boards. Bell.

In this performance are many pertinent and acute observations. It is intended to repress the licentiousness of the times, and the correction it applies to the low vices of one of the highest personages in this kingdom, discovers the independent spirit of the authors.

Monthly Review.

A sensible disquisition of a subject, that seems at present particularly seasonable.

Town & C. Mag.

We are well informed it is the production of Mr. Kenrick, and wrote at the instance of one of the parties.

59. A Treatise on Marriage, being serious thoughts on the original design of that sacred institution, and the absolute importance of

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143. A Letter to the Archbishop of Canterbury, &c. *Vide* article, 86.

Written in favour of the petitioning party, and it is hoped will meet with due regard. Monthly Review.

To recommend the petition.

Critical Review.

We hope this is not the best specimen the club at the Feather's Tavern can give of their abilities as authors; if it is, the Lord help the poor petition! British Magazine.

144. A summary View of the Laws relating to Subscriptions, &c. *Vide* article, 29.

Seasonable at present and useful; the author has added a number of judicious remarks, calculated to promote the scheme of the petitioning clergy. Monthly Review.

145. Queries relating to the 39 articles. *Vide* article, 105.

The absurd and false doctrines contained in several of the 39 articles, cannot be better exposed than in this little tract, which, by a series of perspicuous and well-digested questions, is fitted to strike conviction on every ingenious and rational mind.

Monthly Review.

There is good sense and too much truth in many of these queries.

Critical Review.

We advise our querist not any longer to perplex his poor brains with metaphysical sophisms and a jargon of non-entities, but to

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serve his queries, as the persons mentioned in the acts of the apostles did their books of divination, burn them. British Magazine.

146. Letters to the Reverend Dr. Dawson, &c. *Vide* article, 85.

A warm and spirited advocate for Dr. Priestly; but we are persuaded his method of writing will never gain him a single proselyte. Monthly Review.

It is, we may suppose, below the dignity of the Thunderer to engage with every adversary that may rise against him; and therefore this subordinate champion comes forth and attacks Dr. Dawson with his pop-gun. Critical Review.

147. An apology for the present Church, &c. by Josiah Tucker, D. D. *Vide* article, 95.

This is one of the most moderate, and, in the main, judicious apologies, which we have lately seen, in favour of the church of England. Critical Review.

The very sensible and ingenious author of this pamphlet, combats the design of the petitioners with great judgment, and in a masterly manner. He shews himself a scholar, a sound reasoner, a gentleman, and an able divine. British Magazine.

148. A Scriptural Comment on the 39 Articles, by M. Madan. *Vide* article, 121.

Ne sævi, magne sacerdos! Deiphobus. Critical Review.

149. A full Refutation of the Reasons advanced in defence of the Petition for the Abolition of Subscription to the Articles and Liturgy of the church of England. 8vo. 6d. Baldwin.

There is some acuteness of argument in this tract. It made its first appearance in one of the evening papers of the last month.

Critical Review.

150. An Address to the King on the intended application to Parliament, for relief in the matter of Subscription. 8vo. 6d. Dilly.

In favour of subscription, but weak and fanatical.

Critical Review.

151. Letters to the Members of the House of Commons, on the matter of Subscriptions, &c. *Vide* article, 107.

The author of this tract treats the subject agreeable to his principles and suggests many sensible observations. Critical Review.

152. A Sermon, preached at the parish church of St. Stephen, Walbrook, for the benefit of the children belonging to St. Ethel-

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Ethelburga Society; on Sunday April 14, 1771. By Thomas Coombe, M. A. 4to. 1s. Kearsley.

The author of this discourse, has, for some time past, given uncommon proofs of his abilities as an eloquent preacher, and this little production will place his talents as a writer in no inconsiderable point of view. An animated spirit of piety and benevolence, breathes thro' the whole of his sermon, which is judiciously adapted to answer the purpose for which it was written. Ledger.

153. The Preacher's Directory; or a series of subjects proper for public discourses, with texts under each head. To which is added a supplement, containing select passages from the Apocrypha. 4to. 6s. Johnson. 1771.

The performance of the ingenious William Enfield, peculiarly serviceable to persons in the ministerial office. Monthly Review.

154. The Ready Observer. By N. D. Falck. 4to. 3s. Welles and Grosvenor, Stationers. 1771.

Intended to assist the seamen in determining his latitudes, by any altitudes of the sun, at any time of the day, independently of a meridional altitude consequently the instructions and tables here given for that purpose will be generally acceptable.

Monthly Review.

This piece is intended as an introduction to a larger work, which we hope the compiler will be encouraged to continue; as the ready Observer seems to be an object of no little consequence to those who are employed in the art of navigation, by facilitating a method to ascertain the latitude by the altitudes of the sun at any part of the day, independently of a meridional altitude. This circumstance was first discovered by an ingenious Dutchman, Mr. Douwes — The tables seem accurately drawn up and the rules are delivered in a clear and concise manner. Ledger.

155. Every man his own Gauger. *Vide* article, 41.

Useful to those who wish to be able to estimate the capacity and contents of divers kinds of vessels. Monthly Review.

156. A familiar Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Perspective. By Joseph Priestly, L. L. D. F. R. S. 8vo. 5s. boards. Johnson.

Tho' we are of opinion that Dr. Priestly's attempt, in reducing the theory of perspective to practice, is not so well executed, as his abilities and application, had he allowed himself more time, might have rendered it; yet we are perswaded, it will supply those, for whose use it is intended, with very serviceable hints of instruction and improvement. Monthly Review.

157. Two Mathematical Essays; the first, on ultimate ratios; the

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the second, on the power of the wedge. By the Reverend Mr. Ludlam. 8vo. 2s. 6d. sewed. Cadell. 1771.

Containing several just and useful observations. Monthly Review.

158. Directions for the use of Hadley's Quadrant; with remarks on the construction of that instrument. By the Reverend Mr. Ludlam. 8vo. 3s. sewed. Cadell. 1771.

It is no inconsiderable recommendation of the instructions and rules here given, that no one thing is directed to be done, but what has been actually executed. And it is certain that this publication will be as serviceable in many cases to those who make, as to those who use this instrument. Monthly Review.

159. The Theory of Hadley's Quadrant, or Rules for the construction and use of that instrument, demonstrated. By the Rev. Mr. Ludlam. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Cadell. 1771.

Designed as a supplement to the directions for the use of Hadley's quadrant, &c. that tract being intended to shew the practical part, this the theory. Monthly Review.

160. A new System of Practical Arithmetic, in three parts, &c. calculated for the use of Schools and men of business. By William Scott. 8vo. 3s. 6d. Hooper.

The author has here comprised a very reasonable quantity in a small compass; and has subjoined several tables which may be of great use, not only to young scholars, but to proficients in arithmetic. Monthly Review.

161. The Lottery displayed, &c. *Vide* article, 102.

The minutiae attending the conduct of lotteries are here largely entered into, and material things never touched upon.

Monthly Review.

162. An essay on the theory of money. 8vo. 1s. Almon 1771.

The design of this well-written essay is to illustrate the political influence of money, and to point out its various effects upon industry, manners, and the different species of government established among mankind. The author is an ingenious and able writer, and has thrown out several observations which merit the public attention, but he writes too much like a theorist, advancing many positions which are doubtful, and some that are unquestionably contrary to fact and experience. Monthly Review.

163. Character of the English nation, drawn by a French pen, in a letter to a friend. 8vo. 6d. Bath. Hazard. 1771.

The production of Abbé Richard, author of the natural history of air and meteors. 6 vols. 12mo. Monthly Review.

164. The Life of Servetus. *Vide* article, 5:

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The design of this performance seems to be grounded on the honest maxim of giving the devil his due. The author is a moderate apologist for Calvin, whose infamy he endeavours to lessen by throwing the whole weight of the odium, incurred by this diabolical transaction, in equal proportions, on the shoulders of the civil magistrates of Geneva, in connection with Calvin, as joint agents in the same act of persecution and tyranny. Monthly Review.

165. The Life of Lamenther, &c. *Vide* article, 21.

Lamenther (or Lament-her) is the name assumed by the writer, who appears to have been from her infancy the miserable object of her own parent's unnatural persecution. She stiles her father, Mr. W—, of C— Inn. We hope there is no such character existing, who in barbarity has outdone the Brownrigs.

Monthly Review.

166. An authentic and circumstantial Narrative of the astonishing transactions at Stockwell, in the county of Surry, on the 6th and 7th of January, 1772. Published with the consent of the family, and other parties concerned; to authenticate which, the original copy is signed by them. 8vo. 6d. Marks.

The resurrection of the Cock-lane ghost. Monthly Review.

An impertinent attempt to impose upon the credulity of the public. Critical Review.

167. Love in a Nunnery; or, the secret history of Miss Charlotte Hamilton, a young lady, who after a variety of uncommon incidents, was forced into a convent, &c. &c. 12mo. 2 vols. 5s. Roson.

A shameless catch-penny jobb, meanly pilfered from old novels and nunnery tale-books, the story is wholly transcribed from the English translation of Monchy's fortunate maid. Monthly Review.

168. The Oxonian; or the adventures of Mr. G. Edmunds, Student of Oxford. By a member of the university. 12mo. 2 vols. 5s. Roson.

Another production of equal merit with the foregoing article; stolen from the adventures of Charles Careless, Esq;

Monthly Review.

169. The unfashionable wife. 12mo. 2 vols. 6s. bound. Lowndes.

Containing so much intrigue and business, that they cannot fail of being highly acceptable to a multitude of readers.

Monthly Review.

170. Female Frailty; or the history of Miss Wroughton. 12mo. 2 vols. 6s. bound. Noble.

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An affecting story, the moral of which is, never let the women presume upon their own strength, nor put themselves in any man's power; nor let any man wish to try the woman he intends to marry.
Monthly Review.

171. *The Advantages of Deliberation; or the folly of indiscretion.* 12mo. 2 vols. 5s. sewed. Robinson and Roberts.
Beyond the bounds of probability and nature. Monthly Review.
Evidently written to deter thoughtless women from beholding libertines in too favourable a light. Critical Review.

172. *The Perplexities of Riches.* 12mo. 2 vols. 5s. sewed. Robinson and Roberts.
In this publication there is nothing that bears the most distant allusion to its title; the perplexities its hero is represented to have undergone, being the consequences of vicissitudes and unhappy passions. The style is feeble and languid; it displays no knowledge of fashionable life, and after the most diligent perusal, we can find in it no circumstances that render it in the smallest degree interesting or valuable.
Monthly Review.

173. *The Married Victim; or the history of Lady Villars.* A narrative founded on facts. 12mo. 2 vols. 5s. sewed. Hookham.
The reader is here presented with scenes of distress, but as they are portrayed without passion, they make no impression on his heart. Sentiments destitute of delicacy, adventures distressful, but unnatural, and expressions coarse and inelegant, can never awaken the affections and excite a tender sympathy.
Monthly Review.

174. *The Trial; &c. Vide article, 101.*
This performance recommends itself by the chastity of its sentiments, the variety of its characters, and the propriety of its expression. It is indeed a beautiful display of the judgment and sensibility of its author.
Monthly Review.

These volumes contain many sensible reflections, well supported characters, unexpected turns, and trying situations: they are at once entertaining and instructive.
Critical Review.

The author of this history appears to be possessed of talents very superior to those of the common rank of novel-writers. His characters are agreeably sketched and judiciously discriminated, and the reflections interspersed throughout the narration, are sensible and instructive.
Ledger.

175. *The Lovers, &c. Vide article, 111.*
This volume does not indeed contain so many gross, exceptionable passages as are to be found in most of our author's licentious compositions; but there are too many indelicacies scattered thro' it, to
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suffer us not to recommend it to the perusal of a modest woman.
Critical Review.

176. *The Storm, &c. Vide article, 130.*

This novel begins and ends with a storm, and there is a great deal of changeable weather in the middle of it, some foul, some fair, much in the April way. The moral however is worth attention. Critical Review.

177. *The reclaimed Prostitute, &c. Vide article, 92.*

The most uninteresting piece we have ever met with, and related in the least entertaining manner. Tritenesses, vulgarisms, and improbabilities appear in almost every page, and nothing can equal—but the volumes will be forgotten before this article goes to press!

Critical Review.

It has been often remarked with regret, that the generality of reclaimed prostitutes, as they are stiled, seldom prove worthy of the attention that is bestowed on them by the charitable and benevolent; and we apprehend, with respect to poor Miss Amelia Sydney, she will by no means be found by her bookseller, deserving the expence of paper and print, and therefore forcibly corroborates the above observation on her unfortunate sisterhood. Ledger.

178. *An Epistle from Mrs. B——, &c. Vide article, 91.*

Some catch-penny rhimer has made the poor abandoned Mrs. Bailey, scold and abuse her royal deserter most outrageously. The virulence of Billingsgate in the numbers of Grub-street.

Monthly Review.

179. *An Attempt to restore the true reading and rendering of the last verse of the 4th chapter of Nehemiah. A sermon preached before the University of Oxford, Sept. 29, 1771. By John Hopkins, B. D. Vicar of Cropredy. 8vo. 6d. Rivington*

Mr. Hopkins has supported his construction so well, by a different translation of one word, a conjectural emendation of another, and several collateral observations, that there can be little doubt of the justness and truth of his criticism. Monthly Review.

180. *The History of the Life of King Henry II. By Lord Lytleton. 11. 11s. 6d. Vide article, 82.*

This work is the most copious of any that has been published on a particular portion of English history, and throws a light on the transactions of Henry II. as conspicuous as the splendor of his reign. In point of composition, it is written with an uniform elegance and purity of language, without ever deviating into the tract of declamation. For difficulty of execution, for fidelity of representation, and for perspicuity of style, we may affirm it, with truth, to be among the most eminent of historical productions.

Critical Review.

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181. An Introduction to the Theory of the human mind. *Vide* article, 110.

As far as our author has proceeded in the theory of the human mind, his principles in general are supported by reason; and we must own that the clear and ingenious manner in which he treats the subject, induces us to entertain a desire, that he may persevere in the prosecution of his plan, which evidently tends to establish rational religion on the principles of philosophy. Critical Review.

Among the many opponents that have lately started up against the philosophical systems of Locke and Hume, we have met with none which has afforded us so much satisfaction and entertainment, as the ingenious author, of the little tract, at present under consideration. Brit. Magazine.

This little piece is the production of the master of an academy at Kensington, who has already favoured the public with some ingenious metaphysical enquiries. His present essay is principally intended to oppose the system of the great Locke, and to shew that self-love or self-interest, is the chief motion of human action.

Ledger.

182. Essays moral, philosophical, &c. *Vide* article, 117.

Discovering the author to be a person of learning, taste, and philosophical sentiment. Tho' it is evident he has availed himself of the French writers, we must own that he has improved upon their doctrine. Critical Review.

183. Select Essays from the Encyclopedy. *Vide* article, 81.

This publication is not extracted immediately from the Encyclopedie, but is a translation of the first volume of a work published at Geneva in five volumes, 12mo. entitled l'Esprit de Encyclopedie, ou choix des articles les plus curieux, &c. The reader may be pleased with many of these essays, but he will never be enraptured. Critical Review.

The selection of these essays does no greater honour to the French compiler's taste and judgment, than the English version does to the author's abilities as a translator, who appears evidently not enough acquainted with the French language for such a task.

Brit. Magazine.

184. A complete system of Land-surveying; both in theory and practice. By Thomas Breaks. 8vo. 7s. 6d. boards. Murray.

A motely performance, apparently the work of a man soaring above his abilities. It is chiefly a compilation from authors, and there is scarce a leaf wherein Mr. Breaks can claim any thing as his own, except it be a heap of mistakes and inaccuracies.

Critical Review.

185. A voyage round the world. By L. de Bouganville. *Vide* article, 97.

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Mr. Forster's judicious annotations, with the exactness and elegance of the charts, render this translation superior to the original, in which Mr. Bouganville has not only been minutely solicitous to give a faithful account of the natural history of the countries, and the manners of the people which he visited; but likewise to correct the errors of former charts, and improve geography more than any preceding navigator.

Critical Review.

The author of this voyage, tho' no professed scholar, writes well enough to deserve a better translator; and yet there is nothing in his work that requires the ability of a scholar to comprehend, or the pen of a good writer to relate. It is astonishing that a voyage round the world, intentionally made with a view to new and important discoveries, should prove so barren of interesting events and entertaining information. With respect to the fidelity of a seaman's journal, the work being illustrated with several seemingly accurate charts, appears to merit every recommendation.

Brit. Magazine.

186. *Zoologia Ethica.* A disquisition concerning the mosaic distinction of animals, into clean and unclean. Being an attempt to explain to christians, the wisdom, morality, and use of that institution. In two parts, By William Jones, Rector of Pluckley, Kent, 8vo. 2s. Robinson.

The Levitical law, relative to clean and unclean beasts, has given occasion to various enquiries and conjectures among the learned. Such are only admitted into the class of clean, as divide th hoof and chew the cud; the rest are termed unclean; but as our author says, it is easy to fall into groundless refinements and to mistake subtilty for solidity. And if we are not mistaken many of Mr. Jones's readers will conclude, that tho' a learned man, he has indulged himself in fanciful and problematical conjectures.

Critical Review.

187. *Something new.* Vide article, 113.

The humourous manner in which this rambling and desultory author treats all his subjects, is a circumstance not more entertaining than the great variety of matter which he has contrived to introduce into his two little volumes. He is equally sensible and facetious on important topics and his very trifles which are generally agreeable, are for the most part, not destitute of some utility.—In the course of his prolusions, he has exposed several vulgar errors; and he has concluded each volume with a piece of music. In short, we may venture to recommend this miscellany, as one of the most agreeable and sentimental of the lighter kind of productions.

Critical Review.

Fronti nulla fides. We have read these volumes thro' and find in them nothing new. It is nathing new for a man, possess'd of a very moderate share of wit and talents, to fill two such volumes as these with desultory essays, sentimental tales and rambling reflections,

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equally superficial and amusing. Among a multitude of observations, he must throw out some that are sensible and pertinent. The most ignorant gamester in playing constantly at hazard, will sometimes win.
Brit. Magazine.

188. *Thoughts on Hospitals.* By John Aikin, Surgeon. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Johnson.

The judicious reflections of this author afford equal proof of his physical sagacity and the moral sympathy of his heart. He sets forth the defect of our hospitals at present, proposes such a plan of alterations and future regulations, as appear so necessary to be attended to, that we cannot avoid recommending his pamphlet to the serious attention of all who are concerned either in their construction or management.
Critical Review.

Mr. Aikin's remarks on the general construction of an hospital, his plan in admission of patients and several other circumstances relating to the relief of the unfortunate, are well worthy the consideration of the faculty and the benevolent; but there are several valuable hints in a little piece upon the same subject, published a short time since, at Vienna, by Dr. de Haen, that we cannot help wishing Mr. Aikin had paid some little attention to.

Ledger.

189. *Two discourses. First, on the sufficiency of the scriptures, &c. Second, on the doctrine of the Trinity.* 8vo. 1s. Evans.

Seemingly the hasty productions of a young author, but written with some degree of vivacity, and not destitute of good sense.

Critical Review.

190. *A Sermon preached before the governors, &c. of the infirmary at Newcastle upon Tyne.* By John Rotherham, M. A. 8vo. 6d. Robson.

Elegant and ingenious.

Critical Review.

191. *Discourses on the divine covenants, &c.* By James Hingeston. *Vide article, 7.*

The notions of this author, we think, are in some respects singular, and we much doubt whether his interpretations of scripture are altogether conformable to truth: however, he is certainly a man of learning, ingenuity, and piety; we therefore venture to recommend his work as a pleasing performance, from the perusal of which the reader may reap advantage.

Brit. Magazine.

192. *An Appendix to the observations upon Mr. Pott's general remarks on fractures,* 8vo. 6d. Becket.

Containing the case of a dislocated thigh (that was reduced different

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different to the present practice) with a view to explode the use of violent extenſion.
Critical Review.

193. *Sanitas*, to D. Garrick, Eſq; *Vide* article, 127.

This poem, we are informed, was ſent to Mr. Garrick in his late illneſs. It may therefore be conſidered as a haſty production. But tho' neither the fable nor ſentiment have a claim to much originality, the author has repreſented the characters in a natural light, and we muſt admit the whole to be ingeniouſly executed, for the purpoſe of blending entertainment with a complimentary addreſs.
Critical Review.

194. An irregular Ode on the death of Mr. Gray. *Vide* article, 83.

The avowed irregularity of this ode muſt be admitted as an apology for its faults, if any apology can be made. It poſſeſſes neither much ſublimity, nor remarkable tenderneſs of ſentiment, and the deſcriptive part, which is very ſhort, is void of the beauties of poetry. However it contains ſeveral ſtanzas, not unworthy of the muſe.
Critical Review.

The obſervation of Horace is applicable to this writer, viz.

Pindarum quiſquis, ſtudet æmulari,

Nittitur pennis ope Dedalea ceratis

He frequently ſoars ſo high, as to have his waxen wings melted. Accordingly he ſinks into the vaſt profound and ſettles in the bathos. He does not ſeem, however, to be without parts; he has only miſtaken and miſapplied his talents.
Lond. Magazine.

There is ſome merit in this ode, which is aſcribed to a gentleman of the univerſity of Cambridge.
Town & C. Mag.

195. *The Patriot's guide*. *Vide* article, 77.

Alas! poor patriots, to be the ſcorn of ſo mean a writer!

Critical Review.

- 196 An elegy on the death of Dr. John Gill. *Vide* article, 79.

The fame both of Dr. Gill and Melpomene is prostituted in this lamentable elegy.
Critical Review.

197. *The Fashionable Lover*, a Comedy. By R. Cumberland, Eſq; 8vo. 1s. 6d. Griffin.

Tho' this piece be not entirely void of blemiſhes, it contains many ſtrokes of humour and ſentiment, which command our approbation. The characters are marked with ſtrong expreſſion, and however ſome may be of opinion, that too much partiality is ſhewn to the Scots in the part of Colin Macleod, it is deſerving public favour.
Critical Review.

It contains many ſtriking beauties, the ſituations are well-choſen, the ſentiments are juſt and noble, and the attention is
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kept alive by the passions throughout being very sensibly affected.

Town & C. Mag.

The incidents of this piece are so numerous, that they would have furnished ample materials for a modern novel. It also abounds with sentiments, which, like the incidents, are sometimes worthy of praise, and sometimes defective and reprehensible, for the former are frequently strained beyond the limits of probability, the latter are purchased at the expence of violation of character. Tho' none of the characters have any claim to originality, and it is upon the whole, far from being a first-rate performance, still, as a piece of entertainment, it is not devoid of merit; and bids fair for maintaining a footing on the English stage, while the present taste for sentimental comedy prevails. With respect to the language, it is sometimes tolerably sprightly, but more frequently languid and inaccurate.

Ledger.

198. A sketch of the Materials for a new history of Cheshire.

4to. 2s. 6d. Bathurst.

The author of this letter seems to have collected great information on the subject, and has given a copious detail of the authorities which would be useful towards the forming such a compilation.

Critical Review.

This pamphlet is written to recommend a new history of the above place, which in point of antiquities and natural curiosities, is by no means unworthy of the attention of the learned enquirer. But tho' the author has collected a great quantity of materials for this work, and seems very capable of affording satisfaction upon the subject, we apprehend the expence necessary to the completion of his plan will prevent it from being carried into execution.

Ledger.

199. Epistolæ Turcicæ, &c. Vide article, 54.

To such as understand Latin, these letters cannot fail of proving advantageous, for acquiring a knowledge of the eastern dialects.

Critical Review.

200. Considerations on the Marriage of the D. of C. &c.

Vide article, 119.

The author of this piece is more a wag, than an enthusiast, and tho' a nominal friend to the king, is not a friend to the administration. This production is entirely ironical, and calculated to invalidate, indirectly, the objections that have been urged against the Duke's marriage.

This pretended King's friend may, after all, be no better than an enemy, for to say the truth, tho' we have read his work through, this is a point we cannot determine; the author being so delicate a hand at irony, that we are not quite clear, whether he is in jest or earnest, in decrying the marriage of his royal highness.

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201. Love Letters between the D. of C. and Mrs. H. *Vide* article, 60.

The work of a bungler.

Critical Review.

202. Elements of Trigonometry, by William Payne. *Vide* article, 115.

Mr. Payne, tho' he lays no claim to any new discoveries, justly merits applause for several elegant and concise demonstrations, superior to any thing of the same kind, we remember to have met with in any preceding author upon this subject. We recommend this work, as extremely useful to those who are desirous of attaining a thorough knowledge in spherical trigonometry, with facility and expedition.

Critical Review.

203. Tables of the several European Exchanges, &c. By Phineas Barret. 4to. 2l. 2s. Blyth.

Useful in merchants compting-houses.

Critical Review.

204. Fencing familiarized. By Mr. Olivier. 8vo. 6s. boards. Bell.

This treatise contains as much information on the subject, as can be communicated by precept, unattended with practical example; and it is rendered more useful, by engravings, representing the various attitudes.

Critical Review.

205. The Ladies polite Secretary, &c. *Vide* article, 54.

Tho' these letters contain some improprieties of expression, they are in general not exceptionable; and it would betray a cynical disposition to require greater elegance in the epistolary style of ladies, than is here prescribed.

Critical Review.

206. The London Spelling-Dictionary. By John Seally. 4to. 2s. Coote.

How laborious the study of twenty years to furnish a spelling-dictionary! Books of that kind, however, are useful for teaching orthography, and this is equally so with any other.

Critical Review.

207. An Historical Miscellany. 12mo. 3s. Cadell.

A work of this kind might be rendered of great advantage to youth, but we are of opinion, that the compiler has not been so happy in the selection of materials, as to answer that important end.

Critical Review.

208. Free Thoughts on Seduction, &c. *Vide* article, 58.

A production fraught with novelty and spirit. Brit. Magazine.

209. The Philosophy of the Passions. *Vide* article, 88.

The method here adopted is first to treat of the passions in general, their nature, number, disorder, regulation, and close alliance with
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the virtues and vices; and after that, of the particular passions as opposed to each other and pointing out their good or ill effects as inducements to follow or disobey them. We cannot pretend to say the philosophical reader will meet with any thing new in the work before us, the author, however, writes in a florid, pleasing stile, and seems to aim at embellishing his subject, with a multiplicity of similes. Brit. Magazine.

It is amazing such visionaries, as the author of these volumes, can find a bookseller weak or ignorant enough to hazard his money upon their dreams. The history of the human mind cannot be thoroughly learned without attending to its wildest reveries as well as to its most rational pursuits. In this light indeed, the philosophy of the passions may be useful. Lond. Magazine.

210. Elements of Linear Perspective. By Edward Noble. *Vide article, 114.*

An ingenious work, and far less abstruse than the generality of such productions. Brit. Magazine.

211. The Theatres. *Vide article, 13.*

Nipclose seems to tread close upon the heels of Kelly, tho' it is haud passibus equis that he labours to attain the strength and terseness of Churchill. The present production seems to be the offspring of disappointment, envy and spleen, altho' it must be admitted a number of wholesome truths and some marks of sound judgment are found. Sir Nicholas is the very identical adventurous bard, who, about 5 years ago, produced a volume of fables for the Prince of Wales, and is not yet complimented with the promise of being made Poet Laureat. Brit. Magazine.

* * So far from Sir Nicholas having any connection with the publication of this work; the authors of the Universal Catalogue do not so much as know him.

The censure of this author can do no harm; 'tis possible his praises may. In short, this performance is, in every respect, unworthy of minute criticism. Gent. Magazine.

212. The Causes and Consequences of Evil-speaking against Government. A Sermon, by Gordon. *Vide article 35.*

Tho' not very elegant, nor free of Scoticisms, it will afford entertainments to those, who do not dislike a temporising preacher, or a declamation against opposition. Lond. Magazine.

213. Galfred and Juetta. *Vide article, 78.*

In this piece, which resembles the earl of Haddington's poems for low intrigue and loose description, there are many rural scenes not ill-painted. But as there is hardly a single virtuous character in the whole groupe, we cannot help throwing away such a debasing picture of human nature with disgust.

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A very pretty lyric poem, but we are sorry to add, that the muse is rather unchaste; we cannot therefore recommend it to our female readers.

Every Man's Mag.

There are some pastoral images in the poem, that are not unpoetically described, tho' the author deserves no quarter for the indecent and immoral manner in which he has handled his subject; but, he is no more, and—non insectaberis defunctum maledictis.

Ledger.

214. Lettre a Mons. Anquetil-du Perron. *Vide article, 61.*

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216. The modern Gardener. By James Meader. *Vide article, 76.*

This work is useful in its kind, and is, in some respects, more distinctly arranged and methodised, than those from which the greatest part of it is borrowed.

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Barelay's Argenis, here translated, was a performance of too temporary a nature to be very entertaining in this age. The fine descriptions and political discussions, with which it abounds, will ever please; but the local, historical anecdotes, and the monarchical or tory principles, which it contains, will certainly prevent it from being very popular in this nation.

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We are told by an advertisement prefixed to this ode, or whatever it may be called, that it is a compilation, and was prepared for the composer, in little more than two days. If this be true, it is no bad production for the time.

267. A faithful Account of the rise and progress of the present rebellion in Copenhagen, as planned, continued and executed by the several conspirators; with anecdotes. By C—P—. 4to. 16 pages, 5d.

The author of this tract professes to sell it at the price of paper and print; he declares he was at Copenhagen at the time: that the reigning queen of Denmark is perfectly innocent, and that the whole was brought about by the artful intrigues of the ambitious queen dowager, with a view of setting her son upon the throne. We cannot presume to say this account is a faithful one, but it carries with it the face of truth, and we hope for the honour of this country, that it will turn out to be so.

268. An Essay, on the right of every man in a free state, to speak and write freely, in order to defend the public rights, and promote the public welfare; and on various great occasions for the present use of it. 4to. 49 pages. 1s. 6d. Almon.

The substance of this tract is not in the least conformable to its title-page. Instead of entering into the history and progress of political writings, examining into the liberty of speech and of the press, and shewing how far such a liberty might conduce or not to the public welfare, which we naturally expected to find the author engaged in; we meet with nothing but some few animadversions on the death of Allen, Clarke, and the watchman, and some distant allusions to the conduct of the Roman magistracy with respect to the crime of murder.

269. Letters on the subject of Imprisonment for Debt: by James Stephen. To which is prefixed a dedication to the ten out of thirty-two Benchers, who voted for Mr. Stephen's

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expulsion, from the society of the Middle Temple. By the Rev. Mr. Jackson. 8vo. the preface, 12 pages; the letters, 112. 2s. Evans.

These letters appeared from time to time in the Morning Chronicle, and are tolerably well-penned in favour of the unfortunate. The preface is ironical, written in praise of Mr. Stephen's abilities, and setting forth the futility of those reasons the benchers alledged for his expulsion.

270. An Essay on the human Soul. 8vo. 115 pages. 1s. 6d. Becket.

This pamphlet consists principally of aphorisms, and some general observations on the faculties of the soul, and the exercise of those faculties. It is drawn up with perspicuity, clearness and ingenuity, and many of the thoughts are new. And as the author has promised the public a future elucidation of the subject, we shall wait for it with impatience; all metaphysical enquiries tending to the investigation of truth.

271. A Dialogue between two Gentlemen, concerning the late application to parliament, for relief in the matter of subscription to the 39 articles, &c. 8vo. 33 pages. 6d. Towers.

Modestly written in favour of non-subscription, but like the rest, upon this side of the question, without any forcible argument to support it. For, was a universal toleration to take place, Roman-catholic tenets would, shortly, be as publicly held forth as any other.

272. Two Lyric Essays. Being, 1. An Ode to Genius. 2. An Ode to Independence. 4to. 23 pages. 1s. Becket.

As an apology for any defects that may be found, we are told in an advertisement prefixed, that these odes were written by a young gentleman at his entrance into his eighteenth year. We must say, it is a pretty attempt, and shews a taste for poetry.

273. The natural History of the Tea-tree, with observations on the medical qualities of tea, and effects of tea-drinking. By John Coakley Lettsom, M. D. F. S. A. 4to. 64 pages. 4s. Dilly.

An ingenious history of the tea-plant, the manner of gathering and drying the leaves, with a plain, candid, and impartial account of its properties, and the bad consequences attending its universal use, with a beautiful coloured print of the plant, taken from that at Sion House, in Middlesex. Tho' Dr. Tronchin, the famous Physician of Geneva, attributed the paises, so general in England, to the use of tea, yet Dr. Lettsom, tho' he condemns it in children, as tending to weaken the stomach, impair the digestive organs, and favour many diseases, thinks it may be drank by adults of strong inflammatory habits with advantage; provided

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it be not taken too hot, nor in too great quantities, and that the tea be not fine; but with respect to delicate, weak, irritable constitutions, and such as live a sedentary life, he says he has found, by experiments, and long observations, that it tends to sink the vital strength, and shorten the period of life. In short, as the use of it is become so universal, we would recommend the perusal of this tract to every one.

274. *Conjectures on the New Testament*, collected from various authors, as well in regard to words, as pointing: With the reasons on which both are founded. 8vo. containing 386 pages, besides 46 of preface. 6s. Bowyer & Nichols, printers.

The author of this learned enquiry has pursued the plan of Wetstein in his Prolegomena to the New Testament, published in 1731, with this difference, that he has pointed out the particular parts where the authorities he has taken are to be found, which Wetstein has not done, having only mentioned the authors names. He has further been more copious in his emendations than Wetstein, and consequentl. is more conspicuous to a common reader. The principal alterations he would establish are not so much emendations of words and typographical errors, as alterations of pointing. He is rather too nice in some of his distinctions; but, on the whole, makes no very material variation in the sense of passages.

275. *Vocal Music, or the Songster's Companion*; containing a new and choice collection of the greatest variety of songs, cantatas, &c. with the music prefixed to each. 12mo. 284 pages. 3s. bound. Horsfield.

This collection contains about 120 tolerably well-selected songs, and particularly such as are free from any indelicacy. The treble part is added to every song, and tho' printed from types, is little inferior to stamping. But the lines of the songs are not, in general, inserted immediately under their respective notes, but are either placed on the opposite page, or follow the musical part. However, tho' this is an imperfection such persons as are fond of singing, have an opportunity here of purchasing songs nearly at the rate of four for a penny.

276. *A Sermon preached before the honourable House of Commons, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on Thursday, Jan. 30, 1772. By Tho. Nowell, D. D. Principal of St. Mary Hall, King's Professor of modern History, and Public Orator in the University of Oxford.* 4to. 23 pages. 1s. Payne.

After shewing that there is in man a principle, impatient of controul, and disdaining subjection, and that it has been the wisdom of all communities to guard the public peace by laws, he proceeds from the text, Numbers 16. 3. to draw a parallel between the disposition of the people, in Charles the first's time, and the insatiation

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of Corah, Dathan, and Abiram; and to shew that under a pretence of vindicating their liberties, they subverted all order, shook the king from his throne, and involved all law, justice, liberty and religion in one common ruin. And then, by an application, compares those times to the present faction, extols the martyr of the year 1649, blesses God, that George the third is his perfect copy, and invokes the almighty protection against the seditions of an ungrateful abandoned people. For this high-prerogative discourse he has been censured by the house of commons, and will, in all probability, bring upon himself disgrace.

277. Remarks on Dr. Price's Observations on reverfionary Payments, &c. particularly on the national debt, and his proposed method for the discharging the same. To which is added a scheme for making a sure provision for the posterity of private persons at an easy expence. In a letter to a friend of the doctor. Small 8vo. 64 pages, 1s. 6d. Lowndes.

There are in this pamphlet some very reasonable objections to Dr. Price's plan; the author is a great admirer of the plan, and wishes these objections could be obviated; he thinks, and with reason, that the nation can never afford to pay greater interest for their money, tho' the principal were to sink and no interest to be paid after a limited time; the same objection holds good with respect to our suffering the sinking fund to accumulate by compound interest, as we never can raise money enough for the current expences, and at the same time, throw in annually a sufficient sum, that by the help of compound interest, would pay off the national debt in 50 or 60 years. Besides, we believe government would find themselves at a loss where to get 5£. per cent. interest, with security, for such enormous sums, as they would have, in a few years, annually to lend. The scheme mentioned, is, for a number of persons to deposit 10 guineas each, per year, for 10 years, and after that time to appropriate one half of the interest every year to the uses of the society, and let the other half, with the principal sum, accumulate by compound interest.

278. Essays on Song-writing; with a collection of such English songs as are most eminent for poetical merit. To which are added some original pieces. 8vo. 280 pages and 9 pages of preface. 3s. 6d. sewed. Johnson.

The essays in this volume take up 77 pages and are 4 in number.
 1. On song-writing in general. 2. On ballads and pastoral songs.
 3. On passionate and descriptive songs. 4. On ingenious and witty songs. Each essay is ingenious and is followed by a collection of tolerably well-chosen songs, of the kind the essay treats on, and the names of the authors from whence taken added. The number in the whole are 131, but none of them new. To these are added ten original songs.

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279. An authentic Narrative of the Oppressions of the Islanders of Jersey. *Vide* article, 3.

The author seems to us to be a sensible man: he writes with spirit, and appears to be very zealous in the cause of truth and justice; but his zeal is sometimes intemperate. In short, as we see no reason to question his integrity, we cannot but highly applaud the spirit and zeal, with which he hath so laudably exerted his respectable abilities, in support of a cause, which he considers as that of an injured and suffering people. Monthly Review.

280. Hingeston's Sermons. *Vide* article, 7, 191.

This author appears to be a sensible and ingenious writer, a man of learning, enquiry and candour; who is perswaded of the importance of religion, and is desirous of advancing its influence and its practice. The volume appears rather to favour the Calvinistical tenets. Monthly Review.

281. King's Rites of the Greek Church. *Vide* article, 235.

We have here a curious and instructive work upon a subject hitherto but very imperfectly known. The divine, the philosopher, and all who have a taste for ecclesiastical antiquities, may derive considerable advantage from an attentive perusal of it. The generality of readers, indeed, will find little to gratify their curiosity in a work of this kind; but to him who views the various appearances of superstition with a philosophic eye, who makes human nature his study, and who attentively considers what an extensive and powerful influence the attachment to religious institutions has had on human affairs, in every period of the world, it will afford both pleasure and instruction. Monthly Review.

282. Authentic Narrative of the Russian Expedition, &c. *Vide* article, 90.

Unquestionably we have here an authentic as well as curious narrative, evidently written by a British officer, serving in the Russian fleet, who in a dedication to the Earl of Effingham, who was a witness to the whole, appeals to his lordship for the truth of his account. The author appears to have been accurate in his journal; and his manner of relating the several particulars, shews not only his ability as an officer, but even a respectable talent as a writer. Monthly Review.

The authenticity of this work is rendered unquestionable by the intrinsic evidence of truth. It is written with such precision and candour, as are incompatible with the genius of a partial and

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interested detail; and the author appears to be animated with that ingenuous warmth, which accompanies the faithful relation of public and important actions. Critical Review.

283. Tucker's Apology for the present Church. *Vide* articles, 95, 147.

It cannot admit of a doubt, that Dr. Tucker is by far the ablest of all the writers, who have hitherto appeared in opposition to the petitioning clergy, and he hath treated his subject with a spirit of liberality and candour; and we believe he has contributed more to the ill success of the clerical petitioners, than any other writer against them. Monthly Review.

We do not indeed discover in this tract any brilliant traits of imagination; we are not delighted by its harmony, or charmed by its elegance; but we find in it much good sense, many sound observations and liberal sentiments, clothed in a plain diction, and attended for the most part with great perspicuity of expression. We most heartily recommend the whole of this judicious performance to the perusal of our readers. This ingenious writer appears to be not only a sound divine, but an able politician.

Lond. Magazine.

284. Letters to a Member of Parliament, in which the design of removing subscription is vindicated, &c. *Vide* article, 122.

This author, clear, concise and elegant in his style, judicious and liberal in his sentiments, cannot but be read with pleasure, by every enlarged friend to religious liberty. After saying thus much, it is but a small encomium to add, that he has obtained a complete victory over Dr. Randolph and Mr. Toplady.

Monthly Review.

These letters contain several just and spirited animadversions on Dr. Randolph's charge, Mr. Toplady's apology, and the productions of some other advocates for subscription. They are said to be written by Mr. Firebrace of St. Peter's College, Cambridge.

Critical Review.

This pamphlet is written with more spirit and elegance than most of the numerous publications on this side of the question, but is equally as destitute of close reasoning.

Lond. Magazine,

285. Observations on reversionary Payments, &c. to which is added a supplement, containing additional observations and tables. By Richard Price, D. D. F. R. S. 8vo. 2d edition. 6s. Cadell, 1771. For the supplement, *vide* article, 250.

The merit of this piece is unquestionably established and universally allowed. To applaud is the least tribute we owe to the author, for the instruction and entertainment we have derived from the perusal of his very ingenious and elaborate performance; and to renew

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our warmest recommendations of it to the public, is nothing more than an act of justice to which they are entitled.

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Dr. Price after, having with great perspicuity shewn the insufficiency of the several schemes now established for providing annuities for widows, &c. proposes others, which well deserve the attention of the public: but with respect to his favourite scheme for reducing or paying off the national debt, we apprehend that when he will please to reconsider his calculations with calmness, and can quite restrain himself, he will, by making proper and just allowances on the debtor and creditor side of the question, find it utterly impracticable.

Critical Review.

286. *Winter Riches; or a Miscellany of rudiments, directions, and observations, necessary for the laboring farmer; or a new vegetable system of agriculture, on principles of fact and demonstration; whereby ease and profit may be obtained, and the willing farmer become a husbandman.* By Matthew Peters, member of the Dublin society for the encouragement of husbandry and other useful arts, and author of the *rational farmer*. 8vo. 3s. 6d. sewed. Flourey. 1771.

The language of this author is too fanciful, and contains too much of the bombast, especially for works of this kind, which require a plain, manly style, suitable to the gravity and importance of narrative subjects. There is indeed, an appearance, of conceitedness in Mr. P's manner, which many readers may consider as indicating a want of judgment. We do not, however, absolutely pronounce so severe a sentence on our author, who has judiciously collected a variety of useful observations from other writers, and added some good ones of his own.

Monthly Review.

287. *Buckley, on the Parables.* Vide article, 134.

With these two volumes, the author's present design is completed. He writes as becomes an ingenious and sensible man, and in an agreeable, instructive, and practical manner. Altho' he may, in some respects, differ in sentiment from several others who believe the gospel, we apprehend that persons of every denomination may peruse these discourses with satisfaction and improvement.

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288. *The ancient Buildings of Rome.* By Anthony Desgodetz. Published by George Marshall, architect. Vol. I. Royal paper. 2l. 12s. 6d. in sheets. Roson. 1771.

It is near a century since this work first appeared under the patronage of the French king, and as it relates to some of the most capital objects that can attract the notice of the classical connoisseur, the antiquarian, and the man of taste, we wonder it was not long ago naturalized amongst us. We do not, however, mean

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to commend this work as a matchless production, since it has been undoubtedly excelled, particularly in point of connoisseurship, by publications of a similar kind, executed by our own countrymen; viz. the antiquities of Palmyra, of Balbec, of Athens, of Ionia, and of Pæstum. The drawings here given, appear to be very elegant, as well as minutely accurate, and they are in number 61.

Monthly Review.

289. Madan's Comment on the 39 Articles. *Vide* article, 148.

With respect to the comment here offered to the public, it is sufficient to say, that the author has thrown together a number of scripture passages, for the most part without judgment, order, or regard to their true connection and real meaning. As to the preface and appendix, to assert that it would be difficult to find a more complete union of ignorance and bigotry, is expressing ourselves in a cold and languid manner; his shameless effrontery, his absurd and ridiculous reasonings, and his intolerant principles, can only excite the contempt or indignation of every honest and liberal-minded man.

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In this pamphlet, Mr. Madan charges the petitioners for relief in matter of subscription, with being Arians, Socinians, Deists, and Infidels, and endeavours to prove, by texts of scripture, that the 39 articles are all gospel.

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290. An Address to the King. *Vide* article, 150.

We have here the ravings of an enthusiast, who is as absurd and almost as bigotted as Mr. Madan; but happily does not seem possessed of a heart capable of the same malignity.

Monthly Review.

291. A Letter to the Members of the House of Commons, &c. *Vide* articles, 107, 151.

Here we have an author of good sense and genuine moderation. This letter-writer is not one of the petitioning clergy, nor does he approve of their mode of application. His arguments for the removal of subscription are clear, judicious, and unanswerable. He thinks that the Bishops have not, in the present struggle, been respectfully treated, and is of opinion that this was bad policy; as no concessions can be obtained from superiors, unless they be treated with deference and respect.

Monthly Review.

292. A second Letter to the Members of the honourable the House of Commons; relating to the subscription required of graduates in the universities. By a christian whig. 8vo. 6d. Bowyer.

The character we have given of the former, will, in general suit the present letter. Besides considering the case of graduates in the universities, the author hath added a pathetic address to the bishops, on the subject of a farther reformation of the church of England.

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293. Argu-

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293. Arguments used for abolishing Subscription to the 39 articles considered, &c. *Vide* article, 120.

An attempt at ironical wit; but Mr. Tremellins will never rank with Swift, or even with some of Swift's humble imitators.
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294. A full Refutation of the reasons advanced in defence of the petition, &c. *Vide* article, 228.

A talent for reasoning is not one of the principal qualifications of the present writer, and the abilities he is actually possessed of, seem to be very much tinctured with arrogance and self-conceit.

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This pamphlet was first published in the London Pacquet, where it attracted the notice of the petitioners, and received an answer. Nor is it surprising that the gentlemen were nettled. The piece discovers much acuteness and ingenuity, and is equally pregnant with argument and satire.

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295. Free Remarks on a Sermon entituled the requisition of Subscription, &c. *Vide* articles, 30, 240.

This performance contains a just and spirited censure of the intolerant principles advanced in the sermon referred to, intermixed with many sensible and important observations on the subject of religious liberty.

Monthly Review.

296. Letters on the subject of Subscription. *Vide* article, 225.

These letters constitute one of the most masterly productions the public hath yet seen in support of the petitioning clergy. The author is compleatly acquainted with the subject, and he has accordingly treated it with distinguished accuracy and judgement. His address to the under-graduates of Cambridge deserves particular attention.

Monthly Review.

297. Considerations on the projected Reformation, &c. *Vide* articles, 132, 141.

Ease and elegance of style, a happy talent at imagery and allusion, together with a considerable portion of vivacity and wit, characterize this performance; but the arrogance with which the the petitioning clergy are treated merits a severe reprehension. There is something in the whole turn of this letter that seems to indicate that the author is interested, not in the cause of religion but in worldly emoluments.

Monthly Review.

298. The Reasonableness and Necessity of Subscription to explanatory articles of faith, demonstrated: in two letters; the one to the author of *the confessional*; the other to the late Mr. Samuel Chandler, now re-published. By George Harveſt, M. A. Fellow of Magdalen College, Cambridge. 8vo. 2s. Newbery.

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When this author's letter to Dr. Chandler first appeared, we read it with attention, but were not convinced by it of the necessity of subscription to explanatory articles of faith. Neither are we convinced of the reasonableness of such subscription, by the letter now added, and addressed to the author of the confessional.

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In the first of these letters the author affirms, that creeds, articles and confessions of faith have been guards and fortresses of the church in all ages; and that the confessional is an attempt to throw down her bulwarks, and leave her exposed to the inroads of popery. In the second letter, which was published in 1748, in answer to Mr. Chandler's book, on subscription to explanatory articles of faith, Mr. Harvest endeavours to shew the insufficiency of subscription to scripture creeds. In short, he is a warm defender of our present ecclesiastical establishment, and treats his adversaries with great asperity.

Critical Review.

299. A Dialogue between two Gentlemen, concerning subscription, &c. *Vide article, 271.*

This is the last publication that has appeared in the subscription controversy, but tho' last, not least in merit. It is in favour of the petitioners and contains many pertinent observations.

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** * * To that reader, who will take the trouble of turning to the different articles upon this subject, (viz. articles, 30, 31, 33, 140, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, and those above,) it will evidently appear how red-hot a partizan the divinity-reviewer of the monthly review is, in favour of non-subscription; so bigotted is he to his own way of thinking, that he cannot admit a person on the other side of the question can write tolerably. How then can the public judge from such prejudiced reports? And if in the number of forty, we see twenty of such accounts unfair, have we not reason to think the whole to be so too?*

A sensible tract, written with a laudable spirit of moderation and candour, in favour of the petitioners; but it contains very little, which has not frequently been repeated in the course of this controversy.

Critical Review.

300. The Mistakes of the Heart; or Memoirs of Lady Caroline Pelham and Lady Victoria Nevil. In a series of letters published by M. Treysac de Vergy, counsellor in the parliament of Paris and Bourdeaux. Vol IV. and last. 12mo. 2s. 6d. sewed. Shatwell: 1771.

Our principal objections to this volume, are first, the disgusting sameness of style in all the letters; second, the affectation of a superior air, and tone of expression, looking like high-life in buckram; and thirdly, The eternal, ridiculous thee-ing and thou-ing. If Monsieur de Vergy had ever been really acquainted with persons

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sons of distinction in this country, or had seen any of their letters, he could not have so egregiously mistaken their style and manner. We are not ignorant that this kind of the familiar, is, by some modish persons, affected as the true bon ton; but *De Vergy* has ridden the poor hobby-horse to death, and made up such a ridiculous mixture of the flippant and the stately, that one is at a loss whether to laugh at, or be angry with him.

Monthly Review.

This volume is not equal to the foregoing ones, in point of spirit; but it is superior to them in point of decency.

Critical Review.

301. The Storm. *Vide* articles, 130, 176.

This production is in the narrative form; and there is a vivacity in it, which renders it more interesting than the common run of novels.

Monthly Review.

The author of this performance has thrown into it a variety of incidents; and these serve to keep alive the attention of his reader. In his style and manner, he is by no means contemptible.

Universal Mag.

302. The History of Lady Barton, in letters. By Mrs. Griffith. 12mo. 3 vols. 7s. 6d. sewed. Davis, &c.

This work is superior to the generality of productions of the same kind. Mrs. G—'s talents for such compositions are well known. Tho' it affords no new or extraordinary characters, and exhibits rather a picture of real life, than a view into the regions of romance; yet it abounds with affecting incidents, interesting situations, and such rational observations as may be expected from a person who converses with and knows the world.

Monthly Review.

303. The Reclaimed Prostitute. *Vide* articles, 92, 177.

Like love in a nunnery and the oxonian, (published by the same man, and probably written by the same author, vide articles, 167, 168,) a despicable and scandalous attempt to impose on the public, by a wretched piece of patch-work, the shameless plunder of super-annuated and worthless novels. The adventures here are chiefly stolen from an old story-book, printed by Curl, above 40 years ago, entitled Spanish amusements; a few alterations being made to disguise the imposture.

Monthly Review.

We cannot admit this title to be just; for tho' reclaimed from one kind of prostitution, Miss Sidney has now prostituted even her pen for the public, who we apprehend will not display much generosity, if they require her in proportion to her merit.

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Gent. Magazine.

Uninteresting and unentertaining.

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304. The Test of Filial Duty. *Vide* article, 131.

The excellent lessons of morality, which this work inculcates, will not be able to save it from oblivion. Monthly Review.

We have received some pleasure from the perusal of these letters, Miss Leonard and Miss Arlington are two amiable, agreeable girls. The sketches of two Welch families, the one in a serious, the other in a comic way, are happily executed. In short, tho' there is something to blame, there is also something to commend and as they are printed for the author, we hope that his pecuniary expectations will be answered. Critical Review.

We are not such severe critics upon those who bear the least marks of genius, as to damn their productions, merely for the sake of testifying our disapprobation. Emilia and Charlotte have some attractions that we may venture to commend, and when improved by maturity, may probably merit the protection of the graces, tho' not of the muses. Town & C. Mag.

The consideration that no duty is so little regarded as filial obedience, especially in the important article of matrimony, has given occasion to this work; and as the author has placed this inattention to one of the greatest duties in social life, in a strong and proper light: we should hope that his performance will induce many of his readers to think seriously of the importance of the moral lessons he inculcates. Universal Mag.

305. The Cautious Lover. *Vide* article, 112.

This novel affords many lessons to the youth of both sexes; it consists of characters well-drawn, distinguished, and sustained; situations interesting and affecting; and of incidents unexpected, yet natural. Critical Review.

These volumes contain a representation of circumstances which are natural, and might have happened in real life. They are therefore interesting, and may be read with pleasure.

Universal Mag.

The style is tolerable, the matter very indifferent.

Town & C. Mag.

306. The Fine Lady. *Vide* article, 262.

This work deserves not to be classed with the lowest, nor to be ranked with the highest productions in this species of writing. It is not destitute of character, incidents and situations; nor is it easy to read the catastrophe, of which the fine lady is the essential cause, without feeling powerful emotions. Critical Review.

307. Memoirs of Miss Harriet Melvin, &c. *Vide* article, 100.

This story is uninteresting, and told in so spiritless a manner, that we cannot compliment the young lady of Gloucester on her literary abilities. Critical Review.

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308. The Nautical Almanack and astronomical Ephemeris for the year 1773. Published by order of the commissioners of longitude. 3s. 6d. sewed. Nourse. 1771.

To this Ephemeris are added new tables of equal altitudes more extensive and complete than any extant, with an account of their construction and use. Also a catalogue of the places of 387 fixed stars, in right ascension, declination, &c. adapted to the year 1770, with their annual variations; to which are likewise annexed, memoranda, shewing the extreme differences of the right ascensions of stars, settled from different days observations.

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309. Considerations on the Marriage of the D. of C. &c. *Vide* articles, 119, 200.

An artful production of a Duke of Cumberland's friend, covertly intended to divert the resentment of both king and people.

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An ironical sarcasm upon the occasion.

Town & C. Mag.

A waggish, ironical production, tending to invalidate the objections respecting the propriety of his Royal Highness's marriage.

Gent. Magazine.

310. Reasons against the intended Bill, for laying some restraint upon the liberty of the press, &c. *Vide* article, 229.

The freedom of the press, instead of being defended, is here attacked; and the author is awkwardly pleasant, to make our patriots ashamed of doing right. It discovers but a very slender share of ability, and sensible men, if they happen to peruse it, will feel that degree of contempt, which they should feel, when the partizans of a court wish to impose on the understandings of the people, and to insinuate the detestable maxims of tyranny.

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This pamphlet is written in the burlesque manner; and the author's reasoning is not void of ingenuity.

Critical Review.

The writer of this piece has treated his subject in an ironical manner, and slyly endeavours to injure the great palladium of our rights and liberties, which from his title-page it might be supposed, he intended to defend; a circumstance which gives us some concern, as his animadversions are written with spirit and humour.

Ledger.

311. Something new. *Vide* article, 113, 187.

A series of original essays, observations and remarks, &c. by a man of parts and literature; written a little in the shandy-way, and probably, by the pen of the ingenious writer of Sterne's posthumous works.

Monthly Review.

The author of these volumes is a man of wit and humour; and as far as our opinion will go, the character of them is established.

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312. Imprisonment for Debt considered. *Vide* article, 249.

The present advocate for the honest bankrupt has proved very ably the cruelty and dangerous consequences of imprisonment for debt. Monthly Review.

313. A Letter to Richard Whitworth, Esq; &c. *Vide* article, 230.

We have here several valuable strictures on a bill for amending the laws relating to the game. The author seems to be a friend to liberty and to his country. Monthly Review.

314. Essays, Medical and Experimental. The second edition, revised and considerably enlarged. To which is added an appendix. By Thomas Percival. M. D. F. R. S. 8vo. 6s. bound. Johnson.

These valuable essays, are, in this second edition, rendered still more useful and complete by some additional experiments, facts, and observations. The appendix contains the ingenious author's essays on water and inoculation. Monthly Review.

To this improved edition is added, an appendix on the efficacy of external application in the angina maligna or ulcerous sore throat. Critical Review.

315. Blicke, on the Bilious fever of Jamaica. *Vide* article, 239.

This essay seems to contain a faithful account of the yellow fever: it is interspersed with some judicious practical remarks, and the method of cure is rational. Critical Review.

316. The Fashionable Lover, a comedy. *Vide* article, 197.

This comedy has not ill-supported the reputation Mr. Cumberland gained by his West-Indian. Perhaps there is less spirit in this, than in the last winter's production; but it is more correct, more chaste, and consequently, upon the whole, a more moral performance. Yet it is not wanting in vivacity, nor totally void of humour and well-aimed satire. It is principally deficient in point of originality; but, for this, the author has apologized in his preface. In brief, Mr. Cumberland has so much improved his acquaintance with the comic muse, that we scruple not to pronounce him one of the best of our present dramatic writers. Monthly Review.

This piece has been successful upon the stage, and it has deserved its success; yet it pleases like a fairy-tale, and its excellence consists in producing an interest, by the violation of nature.

Gent. Magazine.

317. Sanitas. *Vide* articles, 127, 193.

We could not peruse this piece, without frequently recollecting the late Mr. Robert Lloyd, of whose manner several parts of it bear some resemblance; tho' perhaps, it seldom equals him, either in

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in strength or terseness.

Monthly Review.

As a complimentary address and a hasty performance, this piece has some title to our indulgence.

Lond. Magazine.

A pretty compliment to Mr. Garrick.

Town & C. Mag.

This poem does not appear to be executed by an inferior artist.

Universal Mag.

318. An irregular Ode on the death of Mr. Gray. *Vide* articles, 83, 194.

There is considerable merit in this little elegiac poem, altho' it is by no means a faultless piece.—But when the muse feelingly laments the loss of a favourite, it were impertinence of cruelty to criticise the expressions of her grief.

Monthly Review.

The language of the present performance, is something more elevated than bellmen's verses, but for sense and perspicuity, the rhimes of the honest verse-weaver of Shoreditch excel them.

Brit. Magazine.

319. The Conquest of Corfica, by the French; a tragedy. By a Lady. 12mo. 6d. Printed for the author. Chater. 1771.

Altho' this piece is entituled to no praise, it is too humble for censure. The writer is probably an object of compassion; as we are led to infer, not only from her style, but from seeing a sixpenny pamphlet printed by subscription.

Monthly Review.

320. The Roman History, from the building of Rome to the ruin of the commonwealth. Illustrated with maps and other plates. By N. Hooke, Esq; Vol. IV. 4to. 18s. boards. Longman.

Tho' Mr. Hooke has, upon the whole, executed his undertaking much to his reputation, we wish he had not added to the prolixity of his work, by inserting long disquisitions from other authors in the body of it, and even the very numerous quotations in the notes, might, without detriment, have been abridged.—He is careful in quoting authorities, and giving his reasons for preferring some and neglecting others; and we know of no history which gives a more full and distinct idea of the Roman affairs.

Critical Review.

321. The Works of William Browne, with the life of the author. With notes and observations, by the Rev. William Thompson. 3 vols. 8vo. 7s. 6d. Davies. 1771.

William Browne was born of a respectable family at Tavistock in 1590; bred at Oxford, and is stiled in the public register of the university, vir omni humanâ literaturâ, et bonarum artium cognitione instructus. When he died is unknown. There are no traces of any of his works since 1625. The public is indebted for this edition to several gentlemen who favoured Mr. Thompson with some scattered pieces. Mr. Browne's capital performance, the Britannia's pastorals, in some respects, resembles Spencer's

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fairy-queen. *The story has indeed no regular plan, no exact arrangement of parts; and it abounds with episodes and digressions: but the poet has introduced many allegorical personages and presents us with a variety of tender scenes; lively, picturesque, and romantic descriptions. With respect to the whole work, tho' we have been amused with fertile vales, romantic grottos and paradisaical groves, we have likewise been tired with barren wildernesses and dreary wastes. But the former have made us ample amends for the latter.* Critical Review.

322. *The Naturalists and Travellers Companion: containing instructions for discovering and preserving objects of natural history.* 8vo. 2s. Pearch. 1771.

The author of these pages is Dr. Letsom.—It is principally a compilation from other writers, on the same subject.—We wish to prevent those, who know no better, from believing implicitly every assertion of the author; for men conversant with natural history and mineralogy, will very easily perceive the defects of this ill-designed pamphlet. Critical Review.

323. *Discourses on some important Subjects.* By the late Rev. Edward Stone, M. A. Published by his son, Edward Stone, M. A. 8vo. 5s. Rivington.

These are sensible and useful sermons. The subjects (of which there are eight) are chiefly of a practical nature and of general importance. The author's notions of human nature, religion and the Deity are rational, his manner lively, and his language clear and nervous.—This learned writer is the author of remarks upon the history of the life of Reginald Pole, published in 1766, and the doctrine of parallaxes, explained and illustrated by an arithmetical and geometrical construction of the transits of Venus and Mercury over the Sun. Critical Review.

324. *The Philosophy of the Passions.* *Vide* articles, 88, 209.

From the title of these volumes, we expected to have met with an explanation of the nature of the passions, of their progress in the human mind, and the methods which philosophers have pointed out for their management. We cannot say we have been disappointed in every part of our expectation, but we have found that our author derives more of his doctrines from St. Augustine than from Seneca, or any other moralist or philosopher whomsoever. Hence it is, that reason can, in his opinion, have so little share in reforming the licentiousness of the passions.—Some of his sentiments may not be relished by every reader, but we make no doubt that the greater part of them will be adopted by all.

Critical Review.

325. *Letters on the French nation, &c.* *Vide* article, 53.

In spite of the little blemishes that occur here and there in these volumes,

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volumes, we have met with entertainment in the perusal of them. We may expect more from the same hand, as the editor acquaints us he has materials enough to make several volumes like these two.

Critical Review.

326. Rouppe's Diseases incidental to seamen. *Vide* article, 118.

The industry of Dr. Rouppe, so evident in these observations, deserves to be highly applauded. His description of diseases is minute and accurate, his conjectures concerning their causes, are judicious and satisfactory, and his method of cure is founded upon the most rational principles. Had not these diseases been accurately treated of by preceeding writers, this work would have possessed the merit of being of singular utility in the practice of physic. As the author, however, has not implicitly adopted the authority of his predecessors, but delivered the result of his own experience, which appears to be no less faithful than extensive, his observations, tho' generally not new, must still be considered as a valuable addition to the fund of medical knowledge; and we pay no more than deserved applause, when we pronounce this treatise to be, at least, one of the most comprehensive hitherto published on the diseases of seamen.

Critical Review.

The unwearied pains Dr. Rouppe has taken to investigate the true causes and nature of the diseases he treats on, by repeated dissections, deserves the highest commendation, and the work, (tho' in some particulars rather too prolix) is an ingenious and useful performance, a performance which no young gentleman, who purposes to devote himself to the marine practice of physic, should be without.

Brit. Magazine.

327. Mordecai's Apology for embracing Christianity. *Vide* article, 126.

There is something in the air and manner, the style and learning of the writer of this tract, which convinces us that he is not a Jew, but a Christian. He is a person of liberal sentiments, extraordinary acuteness and extensive erudition.

Critical Review.

328. Letters on the present State of England. *Vide* article, 245.

The greatest part of these letters is employed on political subjects, which are treated in an argumentative manner. In the concluding letter we are presented with a catalogue of the most celebrated writers of this age, with remarks on their works. This is the most superficial and inaccurate part of the volume; in which there are not only numerous omissions, but the characters are given in such a manner, as would reflect dishonour on the meanest inhabitant of Grub-street.

Critical Review.

The author of this volume having handled his several subjects with great genius and ingenuity, we recommend the perusal of it to our readers of taste, elegance and refinement.

Brit. Magazine.

This volume contains twenty letters upon the influence of the
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crown in the British constitution, the English nobility, and other national matters, which the author treats in a sensible clear and interesting manner, but Non omnia possumus omnes, his concluding epistles upon painting and sculpture, with his catalogue of the most celebrated writers of the present age, and his remarks on their works, are very superficially executed, and afford neither instruction nor entertainment to the reader. **Ledger.**

329. The History of England, from the earliest times to the death of George II. By Dr. Goldsmith. 4 vols. 8vo. 1l. 1s. bound, Davis, 1771.

On examining this history, we must acknowledge, that for the execution of it, in general, it is entituled to the approbation of every competent and unbiassed judge. From inaccuracies it is not entirely exempt, but in the essential points of history we seldom find it liable to unprejudiced and just animadversion. The narration is supported with propriety of sentiment and a uniform dignity of stile, and we know not any work in which the English history is so usefully, so elegantly and agreeably epitomised.

Critical Review.

330. Two Lyric Essays. *Vide* article, 272.

The early age at which these odes were produced, might be admitted as some plea in their favour, while they remained in the closet; but how the author will excuse himself for obtruding such puerilities on the public, is another question. We will however content ourselves to wait for some of his maturer Labours, before we bestow on him either praise or censure.

Critical Review.

331. A Poem on the Battle of Minden. Book II. Enriched with critical notes, by two friends, and with explanatory notes by the author. 4to. 2s. 6d. No publishers name. 1771.

If a tedious, tho' inaccurate detail of marches and counter-marches, delivered in language far less elevated than that of the Gazette—if couplets at once deficient in rhyme, harmony, common-sense, and grammar—if barbarous, German names, often rendered yet more dissonant by awkward attempts to disguise them under Roman terminations—if vulgarisms, such as are rarely to be met with, and circumstances ridiculous and improbable—if notes that perplex the passage they were meant to explain, and attempts at humour which produce not so much as a smile—if a frequent inability to spell—if requisites of such a kind are necessary towards the formation of an epic poem, behold one in which they are all conspicuous!

Critical Review.

332. Maſon's English Garden. *Vide* article, 237.

The beauties of this piece impress themselves strongly on the imagination, nay almost equally throughout the whole, and a proper allowance being made for this subject, the poem is by no means unworthy the author of Elfrida and Caractacus. We hope none of our poetical readers will fail to peruse the English garden, with the

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attention it may justly challenge. Mr. Mason's imagery cannot fail to entertain those who take any delight in the pleasures that result from fancy; and the rules he lays down may serve as a criterion, by which every artist in laying out grounds may direct his plan.

Critical Review.

This is the production of a gentleman, so well known in the republic of letters, that it were almost needless to say it is worthy of the pen of one of the first rate poets of the present period.

Town & C. Mag.

In this poem the disposition of pleasure-ground is treated of, with singular taste and beautiful poetry.

Universal Mag.

Tho' there is an uncouthness in some of the lines of this piece, and a poverty of expression, a coldness of sentiment in others of them, which are highly unworthy of the classical author of *Elfrida* and *Caractacus*, yet, in these days, when the genius of poetry seems, in some measure, to have deserted our island, it is, upon the whole, by no means, unworthy of perusal.

British Mag.

This poem is in blank verse, of which Mr. Mason seems no ordinary master. His language is in general warm and animated, perhaps too much so for a didactic poem; some marks of study and affectation there are, but in no great number, and they may be readily forgiven to a bard, who every now and then breaks out into the true raptures of poetry, and the genuine strains of nature.

Lond. Magazine.

333. *Threnodia Augustalis*. Vide, article, 266.

The short time in which this poem was prepared for the composer, is a sufficient apology for its want of original merit. As a compilation, however, the several parts are well applied to the occasion and properly arranged; and both the additions and alterations are conceived in a strain of tender sentiment.

Critical Review.

334. *Poetical Essays*. 8vo. 290 pages. 3s. 6d. bound. Ridley.

The production of Mr. Burnaby Greene, the paraphrastic imitator of Juvenal, to whose stock of reputation we may, without risk, affirm they will very little contribute. An enigmatical quaintness of expression runs thro' the most of his pieces, and the affectation of printing them with frequent pauses, which are injudiciously foisted in, spoils the harmony of his verse. In this publication the satirical pieces are the least exceptionable, in point of execution, as Mr. Greene's attempts at the easy style and the sublime are generally unsuccessful.

Critical Review.

334. *The Works of Andrew Marvell*. Vide article, 109.

The works of this witty and ingenious writer, consisting of poems and letters, were corrected and published, by Mr. Thomas Cooke in 1726, and are now reprinted; but Mr. Marvell's larger works in prose, viz. his rehearsal transposed, his essays on councils, creeds,

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creeds, and impositions in matters of religion, &c. are not included in this collection. Critical Review.

336. *Hermas*; a Poem. *Vide* article, 256.

There are many just reflections, evident marks of the authors piety and benevolence, and, in many places, a laudable spirit of poetry in this production. Critical Review.

337. *Psalmorum aliquot Davidis, Metaphrasis Græca Joannis Serrani, et precationes ejusdem Græcolatinæ.* Edidit Franciscus Okely, A. B. 8vo. 3s. Robinson.

Joannes Serranus or John de Serres, was a learned Frenchman, of the reformed religion. The poetical pieces in this publication, were composed, as he himself informs us, a cerbissimâ calamitate. They consist of 24 psalms, with a short prayer at the end of each, expressing the sentiments of the psalmist, in the foregoing psalm, a poetical version the ix. of Daniel, the lix. of Isaiah, the Canticum Simeonis, and a short description of true religion. They were printed by H. Stephens, in 1575. The commendations with which they have been honoured, and the scarcity of the remaining copies induced Mr. Okeley to supply the public with this new edition. To these pieces the editor has subjoined Greek versions of some of the psalms, and other sacred poems, by different authors, in the same language. Critical Review.

338. *The true Doctrine of the New Testament concerning Jesus Christ, considered.* The second edition. 8vo. 6s. Johnson.

The design of this author is to refute the doctrine of our Saviour's pre-existence. This performance, tho' contrary to the commonly-received opinion, is ingeniously written. The first edition was published in 1767. To this he has made several considerable improvements. Critical Review.

339. *A Paraphrase on the eleven first chapters of St. Paul's epistle to the Romans.* By Thomas Adam, Rector of Wintringham, in Lincolnshire. 8vo. 4s. sewed. Rivington.

In the preface to this work, the author expatiates on the inflexible strictness and severity of the divine law; the indispensable necessity of unsinning obedience, in order to entitle us to the favour and acceptance of God; the universal depravity and utter unworthiness of man, and the doctrine of salvation by faith in the perfect righteousness of Christ.—The paraphrase is formed upon these principles; which are some of the favourite principles of the methodists, deduced from what we cannot but account a misrepresentation of St. Paul. Critical Review.

340. *The Nature and Necessity of the new creature in Christ, &c.* *Vide* article, 254.

In this tract we see nothing worthy of our regard, but the piety of Joanna Eleonora de Merlau. Critical Review.

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341. A Vindication of the Rev. Mr. Westley's last minutes, &c. 12mo. 9d. Cabe.

Minutes of some conversations between Mr. Wesley and others, printed at Bristol. In these minutes, Mr. Wesley says, "we have leaned too much towards Calvinism," and confirms it by many examples, which expression has been considered by Mr. Shirley and others as a dreadful heresy. In answer to this Charge, the author of these Letters lays before the public, 1. A general view of Mr. Wesleys doctrine. 2. An account of the commendable design of his Minutes. 3. a vindication from scripture &c. of the propositions they contain. Critical Review.

342. Two Letters to the Rev. Mr. F——r, relative to his vindication of the minutes of the Rev. Mr. John Westley. 8vo. 6d. Dilly.

A defence of some absurdities of calvinism, in answer to Mr. Westley's minutes, by the noted author of Pictas Oxoniensis. Critical Review.

343. Considerations on the Mutiny act &c. *Vide* article, 260.

This pamphlet is sensible and candid, and the author proposes several alterations in the government of the land-forces, which highly merit the attention of the legislature. Critical Review.

The vague and precarious manner in which our martial law is expressed, is considered by this writer as a real grievance; and he has fully shewn the expediency of its being revised and established on a more explicit foundation. Universal Mag.

These considerations, tho' carelessly written, appear to be drawn up by a person well acquainted with his subject: many of the alterations proposed to be made in the military laws, seem to be calculated for the general benefit of the soldiers, and worthy the perusal of those who are concerned in the regulation and welfare of the army. Ledger.

344. An Essay on the right of every man to speak and write freely, &c. *Vide* article, 268.

We were almost put out of breath in reading the first sentence of this essay, which consists of no less then twenty-three lines in quarto, but is far from being the longest in the work. The matter of the essay is equally disgusting with the composition, and it contains little more than an insipid, long-winded, laborious declamation, respecting the death of young Allen, George Clarke and the watchman. Critical Review.

345. Essays on Song-writing, *Vide* article, 278.

Discovering the author to be possessed of a large share of critical knowledge and good taste. The Songs in this collection cannot fail of affording pleasure to those readers who have a taste for the beauties of poetical composition, and the ingenious observations in No. III. L the

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the essays add greatly to the value of the work. Critical Review.

The Editor has here classed a number of English songs, under, different heads, which appear to be selected with a degree of taste and propriety, not frequently met with in collections of this nature.
Ledger.

346. A Letter to David Garrick, Esq; *Vide* article, 247.

We regard this Letter as the production of some discarded player or disappointed author.—While Mr. Garricks enemies are no better armed than this assailant, he has no great reason to be alarmed. Critical Review.

347. A Treatise on Skating, by R. Jones, Lieutenant of the Artillery. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Ridley.

As the temperature of the air, at present, will not admit of our reducing this author's rule to practice, we shall only observe that no critic ever delivered more excellent injunctions for the management either of the buskin or the soc, than Mr. Jones does for that of the skates. Critical Review.

348. New and elegant amusement for the Ladies. *Vide* article, 259.

The design of this publication is to allure the ladies from trifling amusements to those which are rational and calculated to improve the mind. And we highly approve of the zeal she discovers for the cultivation of the amiable sex. Critical Review.

This petit piece appears to be compiled, with a good intention, by a lady possessed of a refined taste, and a number of other amiable qualities. British Mag.

349. A Dialogue, between a country Gentleman and a Lawyer, upon the doctrine of distress for Rent. 1s. 6d. Wilkie.

This pamphlet, in a plain, familiar manner, explains the present practice of the law, relative to the making distresses for rent, and must be very useful to those people, who are not in possession of Burn's Justice. British Mag.

350. Lysons, on the effects of Camphire &c. *Vide* articles, 12. 218.

Whether the doctrines here be truly orthodox or not, we beg leave to recommend this ingenious pamphlet to every gentleman of the faculty. British Mag.

351. Lind, on the Fen-fever of Bengal. *Vide* article. 231.

An accurate description of a disease, with which Europeans are little acquainted, and its method of cure; highly deserving perusal. British Mag.

352. Price's appeal on the National Debt. *Vide* article, 242.

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This learned gentleman hath, in this pamphlet, favoured the world with the most important matter that ever was laid before it. And, tho, on a subject abstruse, and by most readers, difficult to be comprehended, yet he has treated it in so easy and plain a manner, that every one will clearly understand, both his calculations and conclusions.

British Magazine.

353. Critical account of the situation and destruction, by the first eruptions of mount Vesuvius, of Herculaneum, Pompeii and Stabia; the late discovery of their remains; the subterraneous works carried on in them, and the books, domestic utensils and other remarkable Greek and Roman antiquities thereby happily recovered, the form and connection of the ancient Characters being faithfully preserved. In a letter to Count Bruhl of Saxony, from the celebrated abbé Wincleman, antiquarian to the Pope. Illustrated with notes, taken from the french translation. 8vo. 2s. 6d. Carnan and Newbery.

This work, written originally in the German language, is well known throughout Europe by the literati, from whom it has met with the warmest reception. This makes a translation acceptable, and the present one seems to be well and faithfully executed.

British Magazine.

The performance before us contains every information, that a judicious reader might expect upon the subject and will furnish no inconsiderable share of instruction and amusement to those, who are engaged in the study of antiquities, and in the investigation of the various phænomena of nature.

Every Man's Mag.

354. Falconer's observations on Dr. Cadogan's dissertation on the Gout. *Vide* article, 238.

In general pertinent and just.

British Magazine.

Dr. Falconer has here entered into a critical examination of some of Dr. Cadogan's arguments in a candid and gentleman-like manner; he acknowledges that celebrated Physician's opinions concerning the use of temperance, peace of mind and exerta preserve health, to be undoubtedly just, and that they will remain ever unimpeached; yet as the dissertation contains some capital errors, and some of them likely to be of dangerous consequences to the health of mankind, our author has undertaken to point them out, which he has done so impartially, that, tho' his arguments are not always conclusive; his observations, as they are upon a subject of such great importance to the general welfare, certainly deserve the consideration of the faculty and the valetudinarian.

Ledger.

355. The Life of Servetus. *Vide* articles, 5, 164.

The lovers of polemical divinity are here presented with an elaborate, and, in our opinion, a satisfactory account of and commentary upon the life and religious tenets of this remarkable Spaniard

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niard. The translator, tho' deeply tinctured with the Scottish idiom, has yet performed his task with fidelity, and he has annexed a preface to the work, which does equal honour to his understanding, as a man, and to his moderation, as a christian.

British Mag.

356. Political Essays. article, *Vide* 236.

We earnestly recommend this piece to the notice of our readers.

British Mag.

It is somewhat remarkable, that no book, before the present publication, has been offered to the public, explaining a regular manner the state of agriculture, manufactures and commerce in this country: and it is a very considerable merit in this author, that he has drawn into one view the multifarious scraps of intelligence on these subjects. His collection of facts is undoubtedly valuable, and his reasonings, if they are not always profound, will, at least, be acceptable to those who respect the general good and liberties of mankind.

Universal Mag.

357. The first book of the *Lusiad*; published as a specimen of a translation of that celebrated epic poem; by William Julius Mickle, author of the *Concubine*, &c. 8vo. 1s. Cadell.

Tho' the *Lusiad* of Camoëns, the Portuguese Virgil, is one of the happiest efforts of modern genius, and tho' it be universally admired upon the continent, it is yet almost unknown in England, but by name. The discovery of the East-Indies is the subject of the *Lusiad*, with a translation of the first book of which, as a specimen of the whole, the public are at length presented by Mr. Mickle, whose fame, as a poet, is already established by *Pollio*, an elegy full of pathos, and by the *concubine*, an imitation of *Spencer*, fraught with description.

British Mag.

358. An historical Miscellany. *Vide* article, 207.

Such pieces as this hardly admit of criticism; we shall only, therefore, remark, that it is executed with judgement and recommend it to all who are entrusted with the education of youth.

British Mag.

359. Ladies polite Secretary. *Vide* articles, 55. 205.

Tho' a few colloquial inaccuracies occur, yet we scruple not to prefer it to any similar book of letters which hath yet appeared in public.

British Mag.

360. Bougainville's Voyage round the World. *Vide* articles, 97. 185.

Full of instruction and cannot fail of being particularly useful to navigators. The translator has done ample justice to his original, and we must remark, to his praise, that, in several places, he has corrected material errors, which his author has fallen into, from inadvertency or prejudice.

Universal Mag.

361. Letters

361. Letters of the Marchioness of Pompadour. *Vide article,*

137.

These letters, while they give an excellent picture of the character and influence of their author, furnish curious and authentic memoirs of a portion of the history of France. They are all written with singular elegance, and in many may be traced a high degree of political discernment. Of the translation, it may be justly observed, that, in point of merit, it may vie with the original.

Universal Mag.

362. The History of Female Favourites. *Vide article, 234.*

These histories contain much gallantry, and a number of love-anecdotes, which will render it acceptable to readers of a certain class.

Universal Mag.

This performance which seems to be a translation from the French, consists of four novels, founded partly on truth and partly on fiction, and is by no means destitute of merit. The ladies particularly will here find themselves amused.

Lond. Magazine.

363. Bolt's Considerations on India Affairs. *Vide article, 232.*

Written with that simplicity and candour which always accompany truth, and appearing to be animated with the true spirit which characterizes the patriot and the citizen.

Universal Mag.

364. The History of Friar Gerund Zotes. *Vide article, 241.*

A severe ridicule on bad preachers displaying a great share of wit and humour. In the episodical parts, however, in which the author ventures to treat of French and English literature, we think him rather too assuming and that he wanted to be better informed.

Universal Mag.

365. Zoologia Ethica. *Vide article, 186.*

Many authors have endeavoured to explain the utility of the Mosaic institutions, with regard to clean and unclean beasts. Their best observations Mr. Jones has adopted: so far his performance is valuable. But we suspect, that his figurative explanations of scripture, and far-fetched comparisons will, in the opinion of many, throw a ridicule on the whole, and prevent it from proving a credit, either to the author, or to the gospel.

Lond. Magazine.

366. Priestly's Perspective. *Vide article, 156.*

A useful performance to pupils in drawing, painting, and engraving; but we do not think it will much increase the Doctor's reputation, as a mathematician.

Town & C. Mag.

Well calculated for tyros in the art.

Gent. Magazine.

367. Quæries with regard to the 39 Articles. *Vide articles,*

105, 145.

These

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These queries are acute and ingenious. They, in fact, contain the substance of the sceptical doubts of Clarke, Dodwell, and others, with respect to the Trinity and other articles that are a little difficult of digestion. Whoever reads them without prejudice, will find it perhaps not very reconcileable to conscience to subscribe the 39 articles. Lond. Magazine.

368. The Genuine distresses of Damon and Celia. In a series of letters, between the late General Crawford, Sir John Hussey Delaval, Bart. Sir Francis Blake Delaval, K. B. and two unfortunate lovers. By William Renwick. 12mo. 2 vols. 6s. sewed. Doddsley.

The misfortunes described in these letters appear to have been real, and for this reason they excite the greater sympathy. The work, it may be remarked, is interspersed with occasional poems, which serve to diversify it, and are not destitute of merit.

Universal Mag.

369. The History and Present State of Discoveries relating to vision, light, and colours. By Joseph Priestly, L. L. D. F. R. S. 2 vols. 4to. 1l. 11s. 6d. boards. Johnson.

In order to facilitate the advancement of every branch of useful science, Dr. Priestly proposes to give us the history, rise, and progress and present state of each, one after the other; in order to which, he has collected the philosophical knowledge of various writers, and so digested it, as to form a very valuable work. Here may be seen, almost at one view, a number of the finest gradations in the discoveries of different persons, a view of the happiest exertions of human genius, and the labours of those who are the most celebrated for their philosophical pursuits; by which the philosophers of the present age, may resume and pursue the enquiries of their predecessors to the greatest advantage. His history of electricity, published some time since, may be considered as the first volume of this ingenious work; he intends next to give us the history of discoveries relating to air; and after that the history of magnetism. He has endeavoured hitherto to make every thing perfectly intelligible to those who have little or no knowledge of mathematics, and we have no doubt he will continue the same plan throughout, as his labour in this case will prove doubly useful. These two volumes contain 812 pages, besides preface and index, 25 copper-plates, and a list of all the authors he has quoted, which amount to 264, so that he has consulted most authors on the subject, in all languages.

370. The Substance of a Sermon, occasioned by the death of Mr. William Roffey, who departed this life at Cranbrook in Kent, December 12. 1771, aged 67, preached on the evening of his interment, by Robert Noyes. 8vo. 30 pages. 6d. Smith. Canterbury.

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This method of treating obstructions of the urethra by bougies, is well known to be attended with success, but as this pamphlet seems solely intended to promote the sale of Mr. Lallier's bougies, injections &c, we are apt to think he has not failed in magnifying the merits of his composition; and we cannot help complimenting, the author, upon his great degree of modesty, in asserting, that during the practice of 20 years, he has never met with one case, which he did not cure, altho' he mentions several that had baffled the treatment of the most eminent of the profession.

409. *Theatrical Biography: or the memoirs of the principal performers of the three theatres royal; Drury-lane, Covent-garden, and Hay-market. Together with critical and impartial remarks on their respective professional merits. 2 vols. 12mo. 310 pages in the two. 6s. bound. Bladon.*

This biographer is a very superficial one, and, as we may naturally expect, a very imperfect one; for how should he be acquainted with the memoirs of such a number of people? In looking over the accounts of such players as we know, we find he has been too lavish in the praise of some, who do not deserve praise, and has depreciated the character of others, in a manner they are not entitled to. In short, these volumes seem compiled to draw a pecuniary advantage from the curiosity of the dissipated public, who seem at present more fond of theatrical performances and performers than ever.

410. *A Letter to a Friend, occasioned by a French Pamphlet lately published against Dr. Kennicott, and his collation of the Hebrew MSS. 8vo. 33 pages. 1s. Elmsley.*

Giving an account of the French pamphlet alluded to, which is entituled lettres de M. l'Abbé de ——— ex-professeur en Hébreu en l'université de — au Sr. Kennicott, Anglois, &c. 1771. Printed at Paris, and supposed to be written by a society of capuchins in the convent of St. Honre, at Paris, and supporting the doctor against the critical censures of these gentlemen.

411. *An Introduction to the Study of the Prophecies concerning the Christian Church, and in particular concerning the church of papal Rome: in twelve sermons, preached in Lincoln's Inn Chapel, at the lecture of the right rev. William Warburton, Lord Bishop of Gloucester. By Richard Hurd, D. D. Preacher to the hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn, 8vo. 437 pages. 6s. bound. Cadell.*

Dr. Hurd's character as an author and a divine is too universally established, for this work to need any recommendation. It is published agreeable to the intention of the founder, who has appropriated 500l. to endow a lecture on this subject, to be preached three times a year in Lincoln's-Inn chapel for four years enjoining the twelve sermons to be then published.

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412. An Oration on the Utility of public Infirmaries, occasioned by the opening of the Radcliffe Infirmary at Oxford. By Joseph Bromehead, A. M. of Queen's College, 4to. 24 pages. 1s. Rivington.

A pathetic declamation hastily drawn up in order to be delivered before the university, at the opening of the Radcliffe Infirmary in the year 1769, which was intended to be done with an encania, but was for some reasons dropped; now corrected and enlarged.

413. The precipitate Choice ; or, the History of Lord Offory and Miss Rivers. A novel. 2 vols. 12mo. about 400 pages in the two. 6s. bound. Jones.

414. The involuntary Inconstant ; or, the history of Miss Franckfort. A novel, by the editor of the Fatal compliance. 2 vols. 12mo. 436 pages in the two. 6s. bound. Jones.

These two novels are something above the common run ; they are interesting and full of business ; the characters are well arranged, the language is far from bad ; but the first is the best of the two. They both inculcate the principles of virtue and honour.

415. Observations on the causes of the dissoluteness, which reigns among the lower classes of the people ; the propensity of some to petty-larceny : and the danger of gaming, concubinage, and an excessive fondness for amusement in high life, &c. Also an account of the humanity and polity of the Marine Society, now soliciting an incorporation.—The state of the London workhouse, and the usefulness and piety of the Magdalen hospital, &c. with a proposal for new regulating Bridewell, in order to render it of important service to the police of London. Likewise a plan for preventing the extraordinary mortality of the children of the labouring poor in London and Westminster. In three letters to a Governor of Bridewell, Bethlehem, Christ-church, &c. By Jonas Hanway, Esq; 4to. 88 pages, 2s. Rivington.

The title page sufficiently explains the nature and design of this work. All that we shall add, is, that Mr. Hanway has long shewn himself the poor man's friend, and seems to write from his heart. His observations here, are just but very superficial, and his schemes are little more than hinted. They will however give others opportunity to improve them. That relative to Bridewell, is to divide the whole into cells, solely for the purpose of reforming petty offenders ; that to prevent the mortality of children, is to appoint particular inspectors of workhouses, send the children into the country, keep an exact register of the names of all the poor thro' every parish, the number of children they have, and give the parents a premium for every fifth child they shall produce.

416. A modest Defence of the Charity Children, and the common plan of Charity-schools vindicated and recommended. In two dialogues between a gentleman and his gardener, and Theronius and Humanus, occasioned by a projected scheme for erecting a house of industry for children of the poor in the parish of Hackney. By John Wingfield. 8vo. 66 pages, 1s. Bladon.

Written in opposition to the scheme referred to. The great use of charity-schools to society, is here set forth in a few simple instances wherein lads have turned out well; but the pages contain little or no argument against a house of industry well-established. Mr. Wingfield may have sent this pamphlet into the world with a good design, but he has dressed it up in so ridiculous a garb, as will prevent an attention to the object it covers. The dialogues are far from natural or easy.

417. Religion displayed, or the principles of it drawn from the mind itself. To which is added, the principles of revealed religion. With illustrious examples of virtue; and sentiments, maxims, and rules for the conduct of life; collected from the most celebrated writers, antient and modern, with some pieces of moral and devotional poetry. The whole calculated to give youth and others, who have not time and opportunity to read much, a true and feeling sense of religion, and the excellency of virtue; and to supply them with just and noble thoughts for the regulation of their judgment and life. 12mo. 156 pages. 2s. bound. Baldwin.

A little book well planned, tho' ill-executed. The first part is by way of question and answer, but the language, which in this kind of writing should be easy and natural, is stiff and formal. The collection of maxims is tolerably good, but then, 'tis small.

418. The Doctrines of a Trinity and the Incarnation of God, examined upon the principles of reason and common sense. With a prefatory address to the king, &c. By a member of the Church of England, from birth and education, and a sincere disciple of Jesus Christ, from choice and natural conviction. 8vo. 188 pages, of which the preface takes up 54. 3s. sewed. Printed for the author. Bladon.

The production of a man of understanding, tho' levelled at the Doctrine of the Trinity, &c. But this author, like most others on the subject, contents himself with reasoning upon the seeming absurdity without attempting to give other interpretations of those passages of scripture on which this doctrine is grounded, than what they at present bear. As this subject is naturally dry and abstruse, he has in some measure, brightened it in illustrating his arguments by familiar instances in life.

419. The Poems of Mark Akenfide, M. D. royal 4to. 380 pages. 1l. 1s. bound. Doddsley. *We*

We are told this volume contains a compleat collection of Dr. Akenfide's poems, either reprinted from the original editions or faithfully published from copies which had been prepared by himself, for publication. The pleasures of imagination he much enlarged but did not live to finish, however the original poem is here inserted, and as much of the enlarged one as he left behind him. It would be needless to say any thing further of the work it being so universally known.

420. The History of Hindostan, from the death of Akber, to the compleat settlement of the Empire under Aurungzebe. To which are added. 1. A dissertation on the origin and nature of despotism in Hindostan. 2. An enquiry into the state of Bengal, with a plan for restoring that Kingdom to its former prosperity and splendor. By Alexander Dow, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel in the company's service. 4to. 415 pages besides index, contents, &c. &c. 154 pages of which the description and enquiry consist. 1l. 1s. boards. Becket and Co.

Tho' as we learn, the author of this volume derives by far the greatest part of his facts from eastern writers, he has not overlooked the interrupted glimpses of the translations in the Mogul empire, preserved by such intelligent Europeans as travelled the last century into India. He relies upon their authority, with regard to what they had seen, and prefers the account of domestic writers, to what they only heard. The History appears to be compiled with no small attention, and penned with genteel language. It takes in the space of 64 years, from 1605, to 1669, and an appendix is added containing 9 forms of commissions, granted by the emperor to his servants. As we cannot abridge the plan, here proposed for restoring Bengal to its former prosperity, to the limits of this Catalogue we must refer our readers to the work, which we may venture safely to say will afford them pleasure and entertainment.

421. Proposals for an Amendment of School-instruction. 8vo. 117 pages. 1s. 6d. Wilkie.

The writer of this tract would have it considered as a supplement to Mr. Locke's treatise on education. Mr. Locke dropt the study of our own language, which this author has taken up, and thinks society would reap a much greater advantage, were boys to chequer their studies, and apply half their time to the reading of English authors. 'Tis a very just remark, that, in educating youth, we teach them the dead languages and totally neglect the living; whereas a knowledge of the one is as essential as the other. The method of instruction is here minutely entered into, and such as are engaged in the education of the rising age, may usefully employ an hour or two in the perusal of this pamphlet.

422. A methodical introduction to the theory and practice of physic; by David Macbride, M. D. 4to. 638 pages and 22 of Appendix. Cadell.

An undertaking of this kind at a time when a regular system of physic is so much wanted, cannot fail of meeting with public approbation, especially when compiled by a man of such distinguished parts and learning as the author of this work, who appears to be not only an ingenious physiologist, but an able practitioner. Dr. Macbride has promised the world a sequel, which we shall impatiently wait for: to this work is added an appendix, containing an account of the effects of wort, or infusion of malt, in curing the scurvy at sea.

423. A complete treatise of stones, gravels, and all other fabulous concretions, wherein are discovered the great virtues of the burdoc-seeds and wild carrot-seeds: and why the seeds of all plants are most efficacious in the cure of all diseases. By Nicholas Robinson, M. D. and Senior Licenciate of the Royal College of Physicians. 8vo. 94 pages. with a copper plate frontispiece of human calculi. 1s. 6d. Robinson and Roberts.

The facts related may be true, and the medicines used and recommended may perhaps be exhibited with the success ascribed to them, but the author's theory, is in many places exceptionable, and he seems to have so little attended to his diction, that many of his passages are unconnected and unintelligible.

424. Reflections and Observations on the Gout. By Sir James Jay, Kt. M. D. 8vo. 102 pages. 2s. Kearsly.

Sir James's general observations, on the use and exhibition of specifics, shew him to be a man of learning and sagacity in his profession, and render this treatise worthy the perusal of such as unfortunately for themselves, prefer the advice of empirics, to that of the regular-bred physician. We cannot however excuse him, in with-holding from the public, that method of treatment which he seems, from the relation of his cases, to have practised, with such happy success, in this, the most obstinate of all diseases.

425. A Collection of all the Treaties of Peace, Alliance, and Commerce between Great Britain and other powers, from the revolution in 1688 to the present time. 2-vols. 12s. 8vo. The first vol. consists of 404 pages, and contains the treaties from 1688 to 1727. The second consists of 342 pages, and contains those from 1727 to 1771. Almon.

If this collection be a complete and correct one, as we are told it is, it must be of use to statesmen, as a code or body of laws with which they should be acquainted. The method pursued in this work is chronological. And whenever the treaties have been published by authority, those publications only have been copied; and when-

whenever no translation, by authority, has appeared, the original is inserted, together with a translation.

426. *Natura, Philosophia, et Ars in Concordia*; or nature, philosophy, and art in friendship. An essay in four parts. 1. Demonstrating the necessity and practicability of building all manner of houses proof against fire and vermin, &c. 2. An entire new plan of constructing chimneys so as the smoke cannot reverberate. 3. Plain methods pointed out, by which smoky chimneys may be cured. Certain and easy directions how to finish household furniture and wainscoting, so as no vermin can exist therein and also how to cleanse those already infected, with drawings and references. To which is added six letters on interesting subjects. By W. Cauty, Cabinet-Maker. 8vo. 111 pages, and 16 of preface. 2s. printed for the author. Nicoll.

The strangest medley ever seen. It contains some small useful information, but put together without either method or connection. Mr. Cauty may be a good joiner, but he is a very indifferent author. The title page sufficiently explains the work, which contains one copper-plate, viz. a section of a stack of chimnies. Four of the letters are political, the other two, on the adelphi embankment. They appeared under the signature, W. Benevolus, in the Ledger.

427. *A Plan for the Government of the Provinces of Bengal*, addressed to the Governors of the East India Company. 4to. 43 pages. 2s. Wilkie.

The sensible writer of this pamphlet, after describing the past and present state of Bengal, points out the disadvantages of the present government, and proposes a new plan, seemingly well digested, for a political, civil, and military establishment, tending to the benefit of public property and the privileges of the company, and supports this plan with some judicious observations.

428. *Fitz-Stephen's Description of the City of London*, newly translated from the Latin original; with a necessary commentary. A dissertation on the author, ascertaining the exact year of the production, is prefixed and to the whole is subjoined, a correct edition of the original, with the various readings, and some useful annotations. By an antiquary. 4to. 81 pages. 4s. sewed. White.

This description was written at the latter end of the twelfth century by William Fitz-Stephen who was the fac-totum of Thomas a Becket; an old translation of it is inserted in Strype's edition of Stowe's survey of London, but as that is obsolete and very difficult to be met with, the author of these sheets has translated it afresh, and, to the original notes, occasionally added some of his own, in order to elucidate certain circumstances, that would have been otherwise

wise but little understood. He has also given the various readings of the different Latin editions, a valuable acquisition to a critical reader.

This production, after domesday book, furnishes us with the most early description we have of this metropolis. The author was of Norman extraction, but a native of England, and flourished in the reign of king Henry the second. His account of London is well worth the attention of the curious; as it is more learned, circumstantial, and satisfactory, than could be expected in a writer of that age; affording not only a description of the situation and boundaries of this city, in its early state, but a short detail of the manners and customs of the inhabitants. The original Latin is added by the translator, who appears to have executed his part with singular accuracy, and to have bestowed many illustrations and embellishments upon this Edition, in order to render it as complete as possible. Ledger.

429. An Essay towards an investigation of the origin and elements of Language and letters; that is sounds and symbols: wherein is considered their analogy, and power to express the radical ideas on which the primitive language appears to have been formed; by L. D. Nelme, 4to. 134 pages and a whole sheet copper-plate explanatory table, by way of frontispiece. Leacroft.

Ideas, says this author, are expressed to the ear by sounds or language, and to the eye, by symbols or letters. Now both expressions should bear such a likeness of the ideas or object to be represented, as to obtain the concurrence and assent of the person to whom the sound or symbol is addressed. 'Tis want of attention to this that makes our expressions so often lifeless. To illustrate this by example; with the English Saxons, from whom we derive our language. The form of the letter C says he, was the symbol of the receptacle, or a ca-pacious body: thence ca-t, an open-mouthed creature, analogous to the Hebrew word כַּאֵף kat, which signifies a pelican, a bird with a capacious bill. The sound of C was with them ever harsh, as we now pronounce K, which indeed is only two C's, one upon the back of the other CC. The Norman's, who poisoned the whole of the ancient English orthography, introduced two corrupt sounds to the symbol C. viz. ch. as in chair, child, church, instead of car, cild, circ; and the sibilate sound of C, instead of S, in our modern orthography, appears to have been derived from that polluted language. Hence we now pronounce fircle for circle, fenter for center, sensor for censor. Corruptions of this nature, continues this writer, destroy the essential properties of language and letters, which cease to answer their first institution, when they cease to be the representatives of ideas. In this manner has the ingenious Mr. Nelme, gone thro' many of our words, and does hereafter intend

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to go thro' the whole, this being the outlines only of a more extensive work, which he designs to publish by subscription. Tho' we cannot but think him in many things over-strained and fanciful, yet the work is ingenious, learned, and the fruit of much study, and will afford great entertainment to a curious mind.

430. A Miscellany of Eastern learning. Translated from Turkish, Arabian, and Persian manuscripts, in the library of the king of France. By Mons. Cardonne, secretary and interpreter of the oriental languages to his Christian Majesty, and professor of Arabic in the royal college at Paris. Translated into English. 2 vols. 12mo. 539 pages in the two. 6s. bound. Wilkie.

A pretty collection of historical anecdotes, giving such instances of greatness of soul, generosity, justice and fortitude, as do honour to human nature: and the ingenious repartees, the humorous tales, the lively sallies, and agreeable stories with which it is interspersed, make it not only improving but entertaining.

431. A detection of the dangerous tendency, both for christianity and protestancy, of the sermon, said to be preached before an assembly of divines, by G. C. D. D. on the spirit of the Gospel. By a Member of the Aletheian Club. 8vo. 176 pages. 2s. 6d. sewed. Coghlan.

We are told in an introduction to this piece, that the aletheian club, whose principal aim is to search after truth in religious matters, finding that this sermon published in Scotland contained many things dangerous to true religion, requested one of their members to answer it, which is here done, and so much to their satisfaction, as that Dr. C——l, or whoever is the author, in their opinion can neither be a friend to christianity nor protestancy. Such as have read the sermon would do well to look over this reply.

432. The triumph of benevolence, or the history of Francis Wills. 2 vols. 12mo. About 270 pages in each. 6s. bound. Vernor.

Inferior in point of language to many of our modern novels, but in point of matter, superior. There is one character of a Scotchman introduced very natural and characteristic. The story is interesting, the moral good, and its conclusion happy.

433. The genuine History of the Britons asserted. In a full and candid refutation of Mr. Macpherson's introduction to the history of Great Britain. By the Rev. Mr. Whitaker, author of the history of Manchester. 8vo. 364 pages. 6s. bound. Doddsley.

The plan Mr. Macpherson had proposed, was to prove the existence of three distinct colonies in Britain, to deduce them in an historical

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historical manner from the continent, and to point out their respective operations in the island. And, as the first and earliest of the three was to be the progenitors of the present Highlanders and Scots, so was it also to become the original and principal possessors of Ireland; but, the learned and ingenious author of this volume, who entertains at the same time, a great opinion of Mr. M.'s abilities, has unquestionably proved, that he has done this with a gross perversion even of his own quotations, with plain and manifest corruptions even of his own authorities, with erasing of records and interpolations of history; Mr. W. having entered into this subject, in his history of Manchester, and finding himself contradicted by Mr. M. considered himself as called upon to reply, and he has done it in a very masterly manner.

434. An expostulatory Address to all who frequent places of diversion and gaming. 12mo. 32 pages. 6d. Buckland.

We are given to understand that the writer of this piece is a female, and we have every reason to suppose it to be the production of some ignorant, weak, fanatical, old woman.

435. A Synopsis of practical Mathematics. Containing plain trigonometry, mensuration, of heights, distances, surfaces and solids, surveying of land, gauging, navigation and gunnery, with tables of the logarithms of numbers and of sines and tangents. For the use of schools and men of business. By Alexander Elving, teacher of mathematics in Edinburgh. 12mo. 160 pages and 5 large copperplates, besides the Logarithmic tables. 4s. bound. Edinburgh printed. Cadell.

We can safely recommend this little volume as a useful school-book, the young practitioner will find many useful rules delivered in clear and easy terms: And the learned in the sciences, themselves, will here meet with an assistant to their memory. By way of frontispiece is a draft of a new instrument lately invented by Dr. James Lind, for measuring of angles, equal to any theodolite of double its price. The table of logarithms, sines and tangents appear to be correct, and tho' in so concise a form, will answer the purpose of the much dearer set.

436. A Sermon, containing a plan, for reforming the liturgy, and articles of the Church of England. By the rev. T. Goddard. A. M. Rector of Swell, Somersethire 8vo. 34 pages and 8 of preface. 6s. Baldwin.

No such thing as any plan to be found in these pages. All that Mr. Goddard urges is, not to abolish the old articles without substituting a new set in the room. This is the substance of the preface, with respect to the sermon, there is nothing extraordinary in it. 'Tis on the advantages of knowing God; the text taken from John xvii. 3

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437. *Paradise Regained*; or the Scripture account of the glorious millennium, &c. The time when it will commence; first resurrection and change; Elijah and St. John prophecy 60 days. Antichrist, the man of sin destroyed. Satan bound and shut up 1000 years; loosed a little season, to prove the nations; his hosts, Gog and Magog devoured by fire. The second resurrection and final judgment. The most glorious eternal kingdom, in which God, even the father, will be all in all. Unto which is added a consistent explanation of the prophet Daniel. Numbers. 8vo 44 pages. 1s. Buckland.

This whimsical writer from a fanciful explanation of certain passages of scripture, presumes to foretell, that a new temple will be built at Jerusalem, with many particulars concerning it, that Elijah and the evangelist John will return upon earth, and die martyrs, and that during the last age of the world, will be the age of the millennium, when there will be a communication between heaven and earth, and the Lord shall reign with the faithful; and many other wild extravagancies.

438. *A Dissertation upon nervous Ganglions and nervous Plexus.* By John Caverhill, M. D. Member of the Royal College of Physicians, and F. R. S. 8vo. 44 pages. 1s. 6d. Robson.

We could have wished this author had chosen another subject to display and exercise his imagination on, as he seems, like all others, who have hitherto attempted to account for the animal functions, by the circulation of nervous juices, &c. to leave the subject as great a mystery, as when he found it. He is one of those authors who is best understood, where he says least, and altho' his treatise might have had some attention paid it a century or two ago, yet examined upon the principles of modern physiology, it is absurd and ridiculous.

439. *Socrates out of his Senses: or dialogues of Diogenes of Sinope.* Translated from the German of Wieland. By Mr. Wintersted. 2 vols. 12mo. 250 pages in the two. 5s. bound. Davies.

This Diogenes here is an ideal character. The dialogues, or rather chapters, are calculated to set forth the amiable spirit of philanthropy, many subjects are introduced for that purpose, that benevolence may have an opportunity of shewing itself. The work is attempted in a style agreeable to the supposed character of Diogenes, viz. singularity and dry humour, and, if read with attention, will not be read in vain.

440. *A Discourse delivered to the Students of the Royal Academy, on the distribution of the prizes, Dec. 10, 1771.* By the president. 4to. 29 pages. 2s. Davies.

So well written on the subject of history painting, as to do equal honour to Sir Joshua Reynolds as a writer, as a painter.

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441. A Discourse upon Religion. *Vide* article, 244.

This volume breathes a spirit of charity; the style is marked by an agreeable simplicity, and the language is generally pure, except where some few peculiarities announce the land of its nativity. Instead of affectionate addresses, judicious observations and plain advice to his children, as we naturally expected to meet with; the author has rather run into philosophical dissertations, with reasonings that require much attention, together with singular notions in religion, verging sometimes towards the borders of whim and fancy. It discovers him, however, to have possessed a very speculative turn; it also manifests his good sense and ingenuity, and at the same time, his great and solid piety, and rectitude of heart; yet, tho' we can by no means rank him among our modern enthusiasts, his discourse seems to have a considerable tendency towards mysticism.

Monthly Review.

442. The Architecture of M. Vitruvius Pollio; translated from the original latin, by W. Newton, Architect. Folio, royal paper. 1l. 11s. 6d. in sheets. Doddsley. 1771.

This volume contains only the first five books, of Vitruvius; the original is in ten. However, lovers and professors of architecture, of this country, are certainly obliged to Mr. Newton, for this translation, in which, besides a good version of this great author, we have a valuable series of notes, partly collected from the remarks of the various commentators, and the rest supplied by the translator himself. He seems likewise to have been very attentive to the draughts, which, tho' not so numerous as those in Perrault's pompous edition, appear to be sufficient for the illustration of the author, and to be well executed.

Monthly Review.

443. A Dictionary of Chymistry. Containing the theory and practice of that science; its application to natural philosophy, natural history, medicine, and animal œconomy: with full explanations of the qualities, and modes of acting, of chemical remedies, and the fundamental principles of the arts, trades and manufactures depending on chemistry. Translated from the French. With plates, notes and additions, by the Translator. 4to. 2 vols. 1l. 8s. in boards. Cadell. 1771.

The translator ascribes this work to the celebrated Mr. Macquer: but from some hints that we have received, we judge it to be the joint production of that learned gentleman and M. Beaumé; another eminent French chymist, and we may justly affirm that it contains more chemical knowledge than any one book extant. In supplying the defects and correcting the errors of the original, the translator

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seems to have taken uncommon pains. His additions are not confined to facts and discoveries, for he has added the necessary plates to this edition, of such chemical instruments, &c. as are requisite to the obtaining an exact knowledge of their forms, but which, however were omitted in the original. And his many and very pertinent notes, shew that he has executed his undertaking, not meerly as a laborious task, but in the true spirit of a lover and friend of the art. Monthly Review.

444. A Sketch of the Materials for a new history of Cheshire. *Vide* article, 198.

In the view of alluring some able antiquary to give a regular history of Cheshire, the author of this letter, who appears to have a taste and talent for enquiries, has sketched out, with singular precision, and in a series almost strictly chronological, the rich collections and materials from which this superstructure may be raised. Monthly Review.

445. Bouganville's Voyage round the World. *Vide* articles, 97, 185, 360.

The publication before us is diffuse, and assumes an air of importance, but if accurately examined, will be found to contain little of that information, which chiefly merits the attention of the philosopher. We respect the spirit of enterprize in its author, but candour will not allow us to affirm, that the more inquisitive of our readers, will be highly instructed by his discoveries, or his reflections. The most valuable information he has communicated, is the description of the people of Otahitee, or George's Island. This work, however, is rich in those details, which may prove of great use to future navigators, and is by no means destitute of merit, with respect to natural history. Monthly Review.

446. Bibliotheca Medicinæ et Historiæ Naturalis. Tomus primus. Continens bibliothecam botanicam, qua, scripta ad rem herbariam facientia a rerum initiis recensentur. Auctore Alberto Von Haller, &c. Pars prima. Tempora ante Tournefortium. 4to. 15s. boards. London. 1771. Heydinger.

Baron Haller's design here is to point out the discoveries, inventions and improvements in the several branches of the medical art; and to give a short review of the authors, in the order of time. When this very extensive plan is carried into execution, it will furnish a general and valuable medical library. He has been collecting materials ever since the year 1725 and has reviewed above 11000 volumes for the purpose. The present publication contains only a part of the botanical bibliothèque; comprehending the botanical literature from the earliest writers, down to Tournefort. In executing the work, our author mentions the different editions, gives a short account of the authors, and points out what what

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what doctrines and observations are original; and what are adopted from preceding writers. Monthly Review.

447. A Decad of sermons, preached at Chesham, in Buckinghamshire: entituled 1. The miracle of languages. 2. Salvation brought by grace 3, 4. The returning flock of Christ. 5. The allegory of new wine. 6. Ditto of concealed jewels. 7. The request of the righteous granted. 8, 9. Happy afflictions. 10. Glorious adoption. By Thomas Spooner, Minister of the Gospel. 8vo. 5s. bound. 1771. Dilly.

Tho' this peculiar title bespeaks some singularity in the author of these discourses, yet we must acknowledge that he appears to be warmly affected by, and interested in religious truth, however, he may be mistaken, as to his explication of some parts of it. The style is diffuse, inaccurate, and such as a person of ready expression might be supposed to use in extempore discourses; but yet calculated to instruct, improve and impress, and his doctrine is highly Calvinistical. Monthly Review.

448. Lysons, on the Effects of Camphire. *Vide* articles, 12, 218, 350.

Dr. Lyson's, agreeable to the opinion of many practical physicians, supposes that a morbid matter lodged in the stomach and first passages, is a very general cause of fever;—that Camphire, administered at the beginning of the disease, expells this matter by perspiration; and that it produces this effect, by its immediate action upon the stomach and the sympathy which takes place between the stomach and the whole surface of the body.

Monthly Review.

449. An Essay on the Diseases of the Bile, more particularly its calculous concretions, called Gall-stones. By William White, F. A. S. 8vo. 1s. York, printed. 1771. Bell.

After some pertinent, but not many new observations on the nature, uses and diseases of the bile, and on the composition, symptoms and method of cure, of biliary Calculi; he proceeds to relate a case, in which he dissolved some gall-stones while in the body. We wish him success in his experiments, but are sorry to find his expectations have as yet no better foundation than that of a solitary and somewhat equivocal case. Monthly Review

450. Mason's English Garden. *Vide* articles, 237, 332.

Some trivial defects are, doubtless, observable in this poem, but, upon the whole, it has given us, in the perusal, uncommon entertainment, and we sincerely wish this ingenious author may prosecute and compleat the whole of his plan. Monthly Review.

451. Eighteen Sermons, preached by the late Rev. George Whitfield, A. M. Taken verbatim in short hand, and faithfully

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fully transcribed by Jos. Gurney. Revised by Andrew Gifford, D.D. 8vo. 5s. boards. 1771. Gurney.

The respectable name of Dr. Gifford is sufficient to authenticate these discourses; if not the sharpness of the language, will be evidence enough. Monthly Review.

These Sermons seem to be shorter than the rapsodies Mr. Whitfield usually delivered; and, if we rightly remember, a very different copy of one of them was published in 1769. Yet still they bear the image and superscription of the preacher, to whom they are ascribed. They consist only of some few serious and sober exhortations, mixed with idle and sometimes ludicrous stories, incoherent effusions, and pitiful balderdash. Critical Review.

452. The Grecian Daughter, a Tragedy. *Vide* article, 387.

With an adherence to uniformity of character, and propriety of sentiment, the author has supported the style in a degree of elevation, correspondent to the dignity of the tragic muse. Neither is ease sacrificed to pomp, nor passion to the beauties of poetry. Monthly Review.

This piece was manifestly written for the sake of a single incident, the daughter's pious artifice to sustain her father; and this is indeed, wrought up most happily. In the pathetic, perhaps, it has scarcely an equal in the whole drama; but its excellence, in conjunction with its situation, is a disadvantage to the piece in general. It is introduced in the 2d. act; and it was impossible but that the interest should, in some degree, languish thro' the three subsequent acts. The heart, indeed, still feels emotion, but it is like the swell of the sea, after the gale has subsided.

Gent. Magazine.

With Mr. Murphy's acknowledged taste and dramatic experience, there could be no doubt of its succeeding both on the stage and in the perusal; and accordingly, we consider the present performance as, if not a capital, a good second-rate play, in no respect unworthy the author of the Orphan of China and Zenobia.

Monthly Review.

453. The History of Friar Gerund Zotes. *Vide* articles, 241, 364.

We will not say that this is entirely a faultless work; but we declare that we have read it with great pleasure. It is truly a humourous performance, the author has intermingled diverting raillery and sheer wit with many judicious reflections, and a great deal of good sense. However in some few instances he is low, and in others, inaccurate and inconsistent. By the perusal of this work, we are led into an acquaintance with the customs that prevail among the common and middling people in Spain, much better than by the general relations of travellers. With respect to the translation, allowing for the idioms of different languages, as far as we can judge, it appears to have been executed with care, and, in a good measure at least

least, to maintain the sense, spirit and drollery of the original; and where the idea could not be so fully conveyed in our language, the translator has sometimes added a note to illustrate the expression. Had he done this oftener, it would have been more acceptable to the mere English reader. Monthly Review.

That there are in this performance many strokes of ingenuity and humour, and satire very properly applied, we readily acknowledge; but then the objects of that satire, &c. are in a great measure confined to Spain. He has taken too much pains to expose the turgid nonsensical rapsodies of Friar Gerund. Two large volumes on the same dry subject, is intolerable. The reader must have an uncommon share of patience, who can attend to all the uninteresting conversation, and the senseless harangue of a crazy pedant. In the adventures of Don Quixotte, to which it is compared, there is variety and a series of incidents which excite curiosity and attention, but in the story of Friar Gerund, there is not one interesting event, nothing but a dull uniformity and a repetition of the same foolish absurdities. In a word, it is a tedious, un-entertaining performance. Critical Review.

The historian of Father Gerund is inferior to Cervantes, in point of humour, but superior to him in erudition and critical knowledge. As the excentric work before us, was written expressly to reform the pulpit orators of Spain, the satire being local, is frequently obscure, and of consequence insipid to a foreigner; yet there occur a number of shrewd observations, which are too applicable to those of our own kingdom, and which they would do well to peruse. The language of Father Isla is full of proverbialisms and other peculiarities; to transfuse the spirit of which into a foreign tongue, is no easy task, and we are sorry to say the translator, even in those places, where the utmost latitude was required, has adhered to the words of the original, with the servility of a pedant. Hence, the translation is lame. Brit. Magazine.

454. Bolts's Considerations on India affairs. Vide articles, 232, 363.

Mr. Bolts writes as an English Merchant and not as a man of letters. Making some allowance for warmth, owing to the honest indignation, with which he seems to have beheld the insolence and encroachments of power, and doubtless for the resentment he feels for his own personal injuries, few will be able to read this volume, without giving way to the painful emotions of astonishment, indignation and horror. For tho' in some particular cases, his candour may be disputed, it will be difficult to combat, on a solid foundation, his general positions and conclusions. Monthly Review.

The proofs this author brings in support of his assertions, must, in general, be allowed to be strong and conclusive; and the remedies which he imagines should be applied to remove oppression

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pressions which point to the most fatal consequences, he explains at considerable length and with much perspicuity.

Lond. Magazine.

455. *Considerations on Money, Bullion, and Foreign Exchanges; being an enquiry into the present state of the British coinage, particularly with regard to the scarcity of Silver, &c.* 8vo. 2s. 6d. sewed. L. Davis.

Treated with great ability and Judgment. The author has entered, with discernment and accuracy, into the discussion of several curious and interesting questions, and has taken great pains in collecting and applying a variety of pertinent and useful facts. The substance of his whole enquiry is into the present high price of bullion, which, says he, if it be owing to the bad state of our present current money, all we have to do, is to amend it by a new coinage on the old standard, but if, as he verily believes it does, it takes its rise from the prices of exchanges between this and foreign nations, having risen to our prejudice, and the great sums annually remitted to foreigners, on account of interest of money they have lodged in our funds, he would have the standard of both gold and silver so much lowered, as to correspond with the price of bullion on the average of the last 50 years, as the only effectual method of supplying this country with a sufficiency of current money for any length of time.

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456. Hill, on the Petasite Root. *Vide* article, 84.

Designed to puff one of his new nostrums. Monthly Review.

457. *Nature the best Physician; or every Man his own doctor.* Containing rules for the preservation of health and long-life; from infancy to old age. To which are added, a collection of natural, simple, and palatable receipts for the recovery of health, to those who are already afflicted with any of the various disorders incident to the human body, not only such as are easy to be purchased by persons of the lowest capacity; but proper for those in higher stations, who loath nauseous and unwholesome foreign drugs. By a lover of mankind, who has made the study of the human constitution his principal employment upwards of twenty years. 8vo. 1s. 6d. 1771. Cooke.

The monstrous prescriptions found in this work, in which enormous doses of corrosive sublimate, allum, and verdigrease, are directed, prevents its corresponding with the title page.

Monthly Review.

458. *An Experimental Enquiry into the Properties of the Blood, with remarks on some of its morbid appearances, and an appendix relating to the discovery of the lymphatic system*

in birds, fish, and the animals called amphibious. By William Hewson. F. R. S. and teacher of anatomy, 12mo. 2s. 6d. sewed. 1771. Cadell.

Mr. Hewson has taken great care and pains in his experiments, and has made a number of very curious and useful observations. The three first chapters of this enquiry have already appeared in the philosophical transactions; the fourth contains some further experiments and observations on the same subject, and the fifth and last treats of that singular appearance a white serum of the blood; which our ingenious author concludes to arise from an extraordinary re-absorption of fat from the cellular membrane. The appendix contains Mr. Hewson's claim to the discovery of the lymphatic system in birds, &c. The following article, viz. a state of facts, &c. contains Dr. Monro's claim to the same discovery.
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459. A State of Facts, concerning the first proposal of performing the paracentesis of the thorax, on account of air effused from the lungs, into the cavities of the pleura; and concerning the discovery of the lymphatic valvular absorbent system of vessels in oviparous animals; in answer to Mr. Hewson. By Dr. Alexander Monro, physician and professor of physic and anatomy, in the university of Edinburgh. 8vo. 1s. Edinburgh, printed. 1771. Cadell.

Dr. Monro has been formerly distinguished as a polemical writer, and Mr. Hewson acquits himself with adroitness. We shall not then take upon us to determine between two contending, keen antagonists.
Monthly Review.

460. A free and candid Examination of Dr. Cadogan's dissertation on the Gout and chronic Diseases. In which are contained some observations on the nature and effects of alkalis and acids. By William Carter, late fellow of Oriel college, Oxon. 8vo. 1s. 1771. Baldwin.

We recommend this pamphlet to the perusal of those who may be too much disposed to place an implicit faith in the whole of Dr. Cadogan's observations and directions.
Monthly Review.

461. A New Method of curing and preventing the virulent Gonorrhœa. To which is added, a chemical investigation of a remedy called the preservative antivenereal water. Written originally in French, by J. Warren, M. D. of the university of Edinburgh. Translated by a surgeon. 8vo. 1s. 1771. Flexney, &c.

The method here recommended is to use an injection of the caustic alkali, properly diluted with water. We have here a candid account of its effects, in the cases which occurred to the author.
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462. An Essay on the Cure of the Venereal Gonorrhœa, in a new method, with some observations on gleans. By W. Ellis, apothecary. 8vo. 2s. 6d. 1771. *Pearch.*

Mr. Ellis is of opinion that there is a specific difference between the infectious matter which produces a gonorrhœa, and that which produces a confirmed lues:—that the first of these does not require the use of mercury, but may effectually be cured by taking the balsam capaiva in the manner he directs, and by using an astringent injection. His pamphlet contains some useful observations. Monthly Review.

463. A Dissertation on the Dropsy; distinguishing the different species of dropsy, the various causes of the disorder, and the most effectual method of cure. By W. Lowther, M. D. 8vo. 1s. 1771. *Cooke.*

This dissertation is full of hard words and cramp phrases, and is written with a view to celebrate the great and unknown virtues of Dr. Lowther's diuretic drops. Monthly Review.

464. Opuscula Medica, iterum edita, auctore Georgio Baker, &c. 8vo. 5s. boards. 1771. *Elmsley.*

These opuscula are four in number. The two first treat of the catarrh and dysentery, which were epidemic in London, in the year 1752. The third is an academical prælection on the affections of the mind, and their consequent diseases. The fourth contains Dr. Baker's Harveian oration. Monthly Review.

465. An Essay on the Disorders of people of Fashion. By M. Tiffot. M. D. F. R. S. London; of the Med. and Ph. S. of Basil; of the Œconom. S. of Berne; and of the S. of Exp. Ph. of Rotterdam. Translated from the French, by Francis Bacon Lee. 8vo. 3s. sewed. 1771. *Richardson and Urquhart.*

Dr. Tiffot derives these disorders from luxury in eating and drinking, want of air, exercise and due sleep; and above all, from the passions. He points out their general and particular effects in producing diseases, and the means of removing or obviating those diseases. The essay is written in a sprightly and somewhat declamatory stile. The translation is, in several parts, very indifferently executed; and there are many typographical errors.

Monthly Review.

466. A Disquisition on Medicines that dissolve the Stone. In which Dr. Chittick's secret is considered and discovered. In two parts. The second now first published, and the first considerably improved. By Alexander Blackrie. 8vo. 5s. boards. Wilson, &c. 1771. *Note, the second part may be had separately, Price 2s. 6d. boards,*

The public is already indebted to Mr. Blackrie, for his successful

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cessful inquiries on this subject. The second part is now added, and contains some brief observations, which are a further illustration and confirmation of what had been advanced in the first

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467. A Letter to a Surgeon, on Inoculation. Containing remarks on Dr. Dimsdale's pamphlet upon that subject; the improvements that have been made in this important branch of the medicinal art, since the publication of that pamphlet; the author's successful method of practice, particularly with infants and young children, and the method of preparing and administering a powerful and efficacious remedy to be given in the eruptive, the use of which will render the practice of inoculation still more general and more secure. To which are added some singular cases. By John Blake, surgeon, at Bristol. 8vo. 1s. 6d. 1771. Owen.

This author is of opinion that the extraordinary success which attends the present practice of inoculation, is to be attributed to the mercurial preparation, the mild, low diet, cold air, and extinguishing remedies administered in the eruptive fever. That, contrary to Dr. Dimsdale's observation, he finds an early progress on the arm, and an early commencement of the eruptive symptoms are far from being certain indications that the distemper will be mild and favourable; or vice versa, that a late progress, &c. are not sure marks that the disease will be unfavourable. There is nothing particular in his manner of treating infants or young children.

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468. An Essay on the Ophthalmia, or Inflammation of the Eyes, and the diseases of the transparent Cornea; with improvements in the method of cure. By William Rowley, surgeon. 8vo. 1s. 1771. Newbery.

Nitre, administered in large doses, is a favourite remedy with our author, and constitutes the chief part of his improved method of treating the ophthalmia.

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469. Medical Transactions, Vol. II. *Vide* article, 388.

It affords us pleasure to find, that the papers of the medical transactions continue to be so judiciously selected.

Critical Review.

470. Falconer's Observations on Dr. Cadogan's dissertation on the Gout. *Vide* articles, 238, 354.

Of all the pamphlets which have appeared in answer to Dr. Cadogan's celebrated treatise, this is the most laboured and acute. No exceptionable doctrine is left undiscussed with fair argument and candour, and we are of opinion that he has precluded every other inquirer from prosecuting the controversy any farther.

Critical Review.

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471. Reflections on the Gout, by Sir James Jay. *Vide* article, 424.

If Sir James Jay's medicine for the gout was discovered by accident, the public would be more obliged to him in publishing his nostrum, than his reflections; if he was led to the knowledge of it from observation, he seems inclined only to afford exercise to the invention of the faculty, in pointing out to them the method of attaining a secret of which he is already in possession.

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This ingenious practitioner, after having in the above treatise sketched out the causes which have hitherto misled physicians, in regard to the gout, and suggested what appeared the most proper method of investigating the nature and cure of that distemper, proceeds to consider in a judicious manner how far relief may be reasonably expected from medicine. To this part of the pamphlet, which seems of real importance to all who suffer under arthritic complaints, is added a number of cases, both of the unformed and regular gout, which appear to be related with truth and candour, and to tend, not only to induce a greater freedom of thinking on that disorder, but to enable a person of common sense to form a tolerable judgment of every production on the treatment of it, from the refined speculations of physicians, to the pompous pretensions of impostors; a circumstance, which Sir James declares, he had principally in view in this publication. *Ledger*

472. Hulme, on the Puerperal Fever. *Vide* article, 377.

His cases are suspicious, and his accounts of the effects produced by his medicines, incredible.

Critical Review.

473. Brisbane's Select Cases. *Vide* article, 257.

Related with candour, and affording several examples of obstinate diseases being cured by simple remedies. *Critical Review.*

474. Crawford, on the Liver. *Vide* article, 405.

An uncommon disease accurately treated of. *Critical Review.*

475. Adams, on the Stone. *Vide* article, 394.

This writer has taught us nothing more, than that the design of his treatise is to recommend an arcanum for dissolving the stone.

Critical Review.

476. Observations on the Operation and Use of Mercury, in the Venereal Disease. By Andrew Duncan, M. D. *Vide* article, 376.

This author gives a summary detail of almost every thing that is known upon the subject he treats of. He does not merely tread in the footsteps of former writers, but offers some sentiments of his own, and combats the opinions of several physicians, whose errors appeared to him of dangerous tendency.

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The author of these observations, attempts to overturn an hypothesis, which supposes that the evacuation occasioned by mercury, in the lues venerea, is the circumstance to which the cure is to be ascribed: and he is solicitous to establish a new opinion in its place, which he has supported with plausibility and force. In relation to composition, it is a work by no means destitute of elegance, in its style and manner.

Universal Mag.

477. An Essay on the Human Soul. *Vide* article, 270.

This essay is not altogether without merit, many of his thoughts being new. He has talents which admit of cultivation and improvement. His style is generally stiff and turgid, and in many places unintelligible and obscure; and he has taken the liberty of coining new words, such as avidious, infcious, misfortunate, and of using others in a very uncommon sense; however as it seems to be a first and laudable effort of youth for the attainment of literary reputation, all reasonable allowances should be made.

Monthly Review.

478. An Introduction to the Theory of the Human Mind. *Vide* articles, 110, 181.

This introduction is intended to prepare the way for a new Theory of the human mind. The author's design is laudable, as he wishes, by an analysis of the human mind, to establish some principles and positions, that may prove decisive in the dispute between Christians and Deists; and the intelligent reader, tho' he may not approve of his general system, will peruse his observations with pleasure and advantage.

Monthly Review.

479. Noble's Perspective. *Vide* articles, 114, 210.

Nothing of importance is here omitted, that can be found in other works of this nature, and some things of consequence are explained, which have hitherto been little touched upon, if not wholly neglected. In short, these elements will be useful to learners, and acceptable to proficients in the art of perspective.

Monthly Review.

The elements of linear perspective, laid down by Mr. Noble, are, in general, as clear and satisfactory as in most other works of the same kind; indeed the subject has been so often handled, that scarce any new discoveries can now be reasonably expected. As to the controversy, which has so long subsisted among the professors of this science, relative to the appearance, or representation of a range of equidistant cylinders viewed in perspective, and which we were in hopes was, by this time, entirely subsided, our author has again revived; and we think he has treated that ingenious artist, Joshua Kirby, Esq; of his Majesty's Board of Works, with unjust severity.

Critical Review.

480. Payne's Elements of Trigonometry. *Vide* articles, 115, 202.

The learner will here find every thing which may be expected in

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a work of this nature. The order and demonstration of several of the theorems are new and natural; the author's method of constructing the tables of sines, &c. and of logarithms, will not be unintelligible to the ingenious and attentive; and his specimens of the application and use of trigonometry, are sufficient to qualify the student for any more extensive practice to which his taste may incline him, or his situation may require. Monthly Review.

481. A Dialogue, between a Country Gentleman and a Lawyer, upon the Doctrine of Distress for Rent, &c. *Vide* article 349. Written in that sort of a style which is peculiar to lawyers, and who are not famous for composing with the taste and liberality of gentlemen. Monthly Review.

482. A Sketch of a Plan for reducing the present high Price of Corn and other Provisions, and for securing plenty for the Time to come. In a Letter to a Member of Parliament. 8vo. 6d. Hingeston.

In this little sensible tract, we meet with several new thoughts which merit the most serious consideration; particularly a proposal for establishing, instead of the present bounty on exported corn, such a modus of bounty as will at once encourage the growth, and preserve mediocrity of prices. For effecting this, he offers a scheme which, so far as we have had leisure to consider it, appears to be very rational and practicable. Monthly Review.

The author of this pamphlet is of opinion, that the method of inclosing large tracts of common-able land, is one cause of enhancing the price of provisions. The means he proposes, for reducing the price, are to establish a new modus of bounty for the exportation of corn, proportioned in such a manner that the bounty should rise as the price of the commodity falls. He also thinks that a premium for breeding the greatest number of pigs, geese, poultry, &c. would conduce to the same end. Critical Review.

483. The Controversial Letters of John Wilkes, Esq; the Rev. Mr. Horne, and their principal Adherents, with a Supplement, containing material anonymous Pieces. 8vo. 4s. sewed. Williams.

Collected from the news papers and neatly printed.

Monthly Review.

484. Choice Emblems. *Vide* articles, 103, 219.

Adapted for the amusement and instruction of children about nine years old. The author's method is, to give some little emblematical reflection, or allusion to some little story, in verse, then to illustrate the fable by a proper deduction in prose; and lastly, from these premises, to draw a suitable moral inference: and the execution is, to say the least of it, equal to the end and design of the undertaking.

Monthly Review.

485 Obser-

485. Observations on the Shoeing of Horses; with an anatomical Description of the Bones in the Foot of a Horse. By J. Clark, Farrier. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Edinburgh printed. Robinson.

Containing some valuable additions to Osmer and La Fosse, enforcing their principles by many judicious observations, flowing from Mr. Clark's own reflection and experience, and which he here communicates to the public, in the laudable view of promoting a general reformation in this important branch of the farrier's occupation. In a word, so far as we can pretend to give any opinion on the subject, we scruple not to pronounce his pamphlet to be a truly rational and valuable performance. Monthly Review.

Mr. Clark's observations shew him to be an experienced farrier, and tho' we cannot pretend to answer for the success of his method; they appear worthy the attention of all who are concerned in the breeding of that noble animal, a horse. Ledger.

486. Select Essays from the Encyclopedy. *Vide* articles, 81, 183.

As this book is set forth, offering to the public only 22 papers, selected from so multitudinous a mass of universal literature as is comprehended in the original, it has an appearance for which we want a name, as the absurdity is too manifest to be construed into an attempt to impose these essays on the discerning public, as the most curious, instructive, and entertaining parts of the Encyclopedy. They are extracted from the first volume of l'esprit de L'encyclopedie, published at Paris in 5 vols. in the year 1768. several of the papers are however undoubtedly curious, but some of them seem not to be very important, and the whole is but indifferently, or worse than indifferently, translated. Monthly Review.

487. New and Elegant Amusements for the Ladies. *Vide* articles, 259, 348.

Compiled by way of advertisement, and declarative of Mrs. H's want of judgment. Monthly Review.

488. Milton's Areopagitica. *Vide* article, 406.

The editor in the overflow of his zeal for the liberty of the press, attacks Mr. Jenkinson in the dedication with ironical but dull abuse; and in the preface directly charges him with the patronage of a pamphlet entituled, Reasons for laying some restraint upon the Liberty of the Press. (Vide article, 310.)

Monthly Review.

The pathetic intention which seems to have given occasion to the present re-publication, and the spirit of the editor's preface, have induced us to take notice of it, and to recommend it.

Lond. Magazine.

489. The Lovers, Vol. II. *Vide* articles, III, 175.

More of the vile effusion of De Vergy's impudent and dissolute pen.

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pen. The reader might expect from the title-page to find the love intrigue between Capt. Suth— and Lady Mary S—, from the day of her marriage, to the scene at Barnet; but he has ingeniously contrived to fill his book, as Teague would say, with nothing at all. Monthly Review.

490. The Contemplative Man. *Vide* articles, 9, 220.

Something in imitation of Sterne. It is an agreeable and entertaining performance, and friendly to the interest of religion and virtue. Monthly Review.

491. Virtue in Distress. *Vide* article, 99.

A good tidy girl seems to have been spoiled by reading Pamela, and then taking it into her head, that she could also write Pamela. But this farmer's daughter would, surely, be better employed in plying the churn-staff, than in brandishing a goose-quill; in the first of these occupations, she could hardly fail of doing some good; in the latter, she must certainly expose herself to ridicule, even among the rustics in her father's neighbourhood. Monthly Review.

492. Memoirs of Miss Harriet Melvin, &c. *Vide* articles, 100, 307.

If the farmer's daughter of Gloucestershire be metamorphosed into a young lady of Gloucester, (which at the taking up the book, we more than half-suspected) miss is really very much improved: This novel is decent, at least, tho' not a very important performance. The language is easy and correct; and the sentiments tho' trite, are just. — In short, it is all over with the churn-staff. Monthly Review.

493. Memoirs of an Hermaphrodite. *Vide* article, 383.

The pretended memoirs of the Chevalier D' —.

Monthly Review.

La Chevalière D'Eon is, at once, the patron and hero of these memoirs. The work seems to be vamped up from some French novel; and tho' we should be sorry to find it in the closet of a lady, yet we confess, that, upon the whole, it is less indelicate than, from the title, we had reason to expect. Brit. Magazine.

This piece is inscribed to the Chevalier D'Eon, whose adventures the author pretends to lay before the public, and tho' it contains many exceptionable passages, candour obliges us to allow some of the transactions are related with spirit and humour.

Ledger.

494. The Cautious Lover. *Vide* articles, 112, 305.

This is one of those insipid performances, which we take up without pleasure, and lay aside without regret. Monthly Review.

495. The History of Miss Carolina Manners. *Vide* article, 398.

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Of all the histories, lives, memoirs, or adventures, that ever we read, we remember not one that gave us less satisfaction than the present. But as it is possible, that this history may not be merely a work of invention, and may relate to the real situation of persons now in actual distress, we shall say nothing more of it at present, than that the story does not seem to be finished.

Monthly Review.

This history is declared to be real, and the declaration seems to be justified by the narrative. Compassion therefore is strongly excited, and criticism is excluded.

Critical Review.

The ingenious lady, who has favoured the public with these volumes, is by no means destitute of sensibility herself, and the heart of that reader must be cold indeed, in which her story does not awaken a tender sympathy. We have here none of those unnatural and romantic flights, which give so much disgust in the productions of our present novellists. This author walks in the road of sentiment and nature.

Universal Mag.

496. The History of Female Favourites. *Vide* articles, 234, 362.

This production is replete with anecdotes which have a slender foundation in truth; but which are extremely licentious. It is to the last unworthy circumstance, that they owe their publication.

Monthly Review.

We have in this volume some amusing relations selected from different histories, which the writer has thought proper to embellish with a variety of incidents, generally probable, indeed, if not always authentic; those who are fond of what is known by the name of secret history, will here find a large fund of entertainment. The stories are told in an easy agreeable style, and we have not found them tiresome in the perusal, though they are extended to a considerable length.

Critical Review.

497. The Feelings of the Heart. *Vide* article, 390.

This country girl tells her story agreeably enough; but few of her readers will, we imagine, give credit to it, as she deals more in the marvellous than the probable. Staggered with the improbabilities in some parts, and perplexed by the intricacies in others, they will often find themselves disposed to exclaim with Sir Gregory Gazette, Good now! wonderful! wonderful! Critical Review.

This novel is not wanting in vivacity, but it is rendered disagreeable by that slipperiness and affectation, which are too frequently characteristic of performances of this class, and which tend to vitiate and corrupt the taste. The story has some degree of interest and the performance is not absolutely devoid of sentiment. Universal Mag.

The fable of this history is not unhappily conceived, but very ill conducted, the relation being in many places languid to a degree of contempt, and romantic to a pitch of impossibility.

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498. The Triumph of Benevolence. *Vide* article, 432.

The pleasure which the author of these volumes evidently takes in recommending benevolence, will not suffer us to examine them with a critical severity. We cannot say, that his history is a masterly performance; but as we applaud the design, we will not condemn the execution of it.

Critical Review.

499. The Precipitate Choice. *Vide* article, 413.

There is some contrivance in this novel, and it is upon the whole ingeniously conducted. The principal characters, tho' not very striking, are properly marked and not injudiciously sustained, and the melancholy scenes and situations are affectingly related.

Critical Review.

500. The Involuntary Inconstant. *Vide* article, 414.

It was unnecessary for the author of this history to tell us it is a novel; as nothing can induce us to believe that the characters drawn in it ever existed, or that the events related ever happened.

Critical Review.

501. The Indiscreet Connection. *Vide* article, 397.

This novel is particularly calculated for the perusal of those misses at boarding-schools, who, with small fortunes, are fond of connecting themselves with young ladies of quality. And the moral of the piece merits the attention of girls who are ambitious of emulating their superiors, in a station of life they have no reasonable pretensions to assume.

Critical Review.

502. A Letter to David Garrick, Esq. *Vide* articles, 247, 346.

Containing some just strictures, with not a little personal abuse.

Monthly Review.

503. J. Disney's four Sermons. *Vide* article, 226.

The author of these declamatory discourses writes with great candour and charity towards those who differ from him: tho' he thinks proper immediately to attack the methodists. He discourses like a man who wishes well to the interests of practical religion, but there is nothing particular or distinguishing in his performance, which should greatly recommend it to the notice of the world.

Monthly Review.

504. A Letter to the Rev. Mr. Jacob Green, of New-Jersey, pointing out some difficulties in the Calvinistic scheme of divinity, respecting free-will, divine decrees, particular redemption, &c. and requesting a solution of them. By Hugh Knox, minister of the gospel in the island of Saba, in the West-Indies. 12mo. 1s. 6d. 1771. Keith, &c.

This publication shews the author to be a conscientious, pious man, desirous of attaining the truth, and, at the same time, fearful of discarding some opinions, which he apprehends may possibly be

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be just, tho' he cannot himself cordially embrace them. His letter, tho' plain and unornamented as to style, breathes a spirit of candour, modesty, benevolence, and integrity, and he writes like a thinking man. Monthly Review.

505. A Serious and Earnest Address to Protestant Dissenters, representing the many and important principles on which their dissent from the establishment is grounded. 12mo. near 70 pages close printed. 3d. Johnson.

The reasons that plead in behalf of the dissenters, are here collected and briefly presented, upon the whole, in a proper and agreeable manner; sometimes with a degree of warmth, but generally that kind of warmth to which some parts of the subject give a natural occasion. In some instances, he may be thought rather too ludicrous; but in general, he is serious, and indeed repeats some melancholy truths, which must surely be grievous to sensible and serious minds, whether they are within or without the pale of the church. Monthly Review.

506. Zoologia Ethica. *Vide* articles, 186, 365.

On an adopted supposition that the particular orders delivered to the people of Israel, relative to animals, was not merely intended to mark the Jewish nation, but had likewise an instructive moral signification; Mr. Jones enters into a particular consideration of the properties of the various animals, prohibited or allowed. He discovers ingenuity in his remarks on the several creatures, and commonly points out some apt resemblances; but is sometimes rather rough and severe in his reflections. He is one among those who apply themselves to rabbinical and cabalistical learning, which without a very watchful guard, is apt to bewilder us in an endless maze of conjecture and uncertainty. Monthly Review.

507. Hallifax's three Sermons. *Vide* article, 227.

*We have always been taught to regard Dr. Hallifax as a man of considerable abilities and moderation; but we are sorry to say, that the present publication hath not a little diminished our ideas of him in both these respects. It might be expected from the title page of these sermons, that the affair of subscription was the principal thing discussed in them; but in fact, what they chiefly contain, is, a superficial and angry declamation upon some particular doctrines. *Vide* * * article, 299.*

508. Critical Remarks on Dr. Nowell's Sermon. *Vide* article, 393.

Very short and superficial; principally designed to introduce a spurious edition of Dr. Nowell's sermon; tho' the editor has endeavoured to impose on the public, by an ambiguous title-page.

Monthly Review.

A mere catch-penny scheme. The preface contains two or three
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general remarks on Dr. Nowell's discourse, some invectives against the clergy and the tories, and some impudent, unmerited reflections on his majesty. Critical Review.

In the critical remarks, which are prefixed to this sermon, we perceive thro' every page, the hand of a master; and are sorry that the author, under the cloak of patriotism, should so egregiously mis-employ his talents as to encourage faction and excite sedition. Brit. Magazine.

These remarks are not calculated to explode the doctrines in Dr. Nowell's sermon, but to fix them upon government.

Gent. Magazine.

509. A Letter to the Rev. Dr. Nowell. *Vide article, 375.*

The production of a bookseller, in which the jacobitical principles of Dr. Nowell are properly exposed, and his false assertions unanswerably refuted from the authentic testimony of history.

Monthly Review.

This gentleman, who has frequently drawn his pen in the cause of civil and religious liberty, may be ranked in the second class of political writers.

Critical Review.

510. Dr. Nowell's Sermon. *Vide article, 276.*

We are sorry to think that young minds are to receive their political and historical maxims and instructions from a person of such slavish principles as Dr. Nowell.

Monthly Review.

Dr. Nowell has preached this discourse a century too late; time having changed our political system.

Critical Review.

511. Universal Funeral Sermon. *Vide article, 224.*

This methodistical catch-penny sermon preached no-where, may be read any-where, and will be equally useful every-where, to spread the extraordinary tidings, that

First or last, we all must die.

Monthly Review.

512. The Manner of contending for the Faith considered. Preached at Taunton, by Joshua Toulmin, M. A. To which is subjoined a letter to the Rev. Mr. Rooke; occasioned by his sermon on the same subject, lately published. 8vo. 8d. 1771. Johnson, &c.

Jude v. 3. Mr. Toulmin gives a liberal and, we believe, a very true explication of this text; in opposition to those who have applied it in favour of certain narrow principles, which have obtained in the christian world since the days of the apostles. To his sermon, he has subjoined a sensible and candid letter to a reverend gentleman, who seems to have intimated, that the faith to be contended for, comprehends the doctrines of particular election, the trinity, and justification by the imputed righteousness of Christ alone.

Monthly Review.

513. Mr.

513. Mr. Goddard's Sermon. *Vide* article, 436.

This sermon no otherwise contains a plan for reforming the liturgy and articles of the church of England, than as it exhibits the author's general view of the scheme of Christianity. Mr. Goddard seems to be a candid and well-meaning, but not a masterly or judicious writer. Monthly Review.

514. A Comment on some remarkable passages in Christ's prayer. *Vide* article, 389.

This is by no means a despicable performance.

Critical Review.

515. An Expostulatory Address to all who frequent Places of Diversion, &c. *Vide* article, 434.

There is a competent quantity of scripture and great piety, but not one spark of ingenuity in this production. Critical Review.

The design of this piece is good, though the execution is but indifferent, and shews the Author very little qualified to make any lasting impression upon those, for whose his address is intended.

Ledger.

516. Jones's Dissertations on Life and Death. *Vide* article, 374.

These dissertations are of a practical nature, and it is probable, were originally written for the pulpit. Critical Review.

517. A Discourse on the Consideration of our latter End. By the Rev. Robert Anthony Bromley. 8vo. 5s. 1771. Wilkie.

A well-intended performance, calculated to inspire the thoughtless and inconsiderate part of mankind, with serious reflections on death, which the author considers under a great variety of interesting and alarming views. Mr. Bromley is a lively writer, free from any tincture of enthusiasm, but too fond of a flowery style.

Critical Review.

518. Free Remarks on a Sermon, entituled the Requisition, &c. *Vide* articles, 30, 240, 295.

The production of an acute and able writer, intended to shew the futility of what the author of the sermon advanced on the subject of establishments.

Critical Review.

519. A second Letter to the Members of the H— of C—s, relating to subscription. *Vide* article, 292.

Having shewn that the university of Cambridge has a power inherent in its constitution, to abolish subscription to the 39 articles; he sets forth the expediency of such an abolition. His letter is very short, but written with good sense, decency, and candour.

Critical Review.

520. The General History of Polybius. Translated from the Greek, by Mr. Hampton. Vol. II. 4to. 1l. 1s. 1771. Davies.

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We have had two translations of Polybius in our own language, before this of Mr. Hampton's. The first volume of Mr. Hampton's translation was published in 1756, and includes the five complete books of Polybius. This second volume contains the fragments of twelve books or extracts, from the sixth to the seventeenth book inclusive. There yet remain untranslated, Excerpta de legationibus, et Excerpta de virtutibus et vitiis, with which we hope Mr. Hampton intends to favour the public in another volume. The translation is a faithful and elegant representation of the original.

Critical Review.

521. Antiquities of Greece. *Vide article, 403.*

To explain and illustrate the manners, customs, governments, &c. of the ancient Greeks, has been the business of many learned men; but perhaps none of their labours have been more useful than those of Lambert Bos, of which we have here a translation; with Leisner's notes, at the end of each chapter, which confirm the contents of the work, by quoting the writers that warrant them. The only disadvantage attending this performance is the want of either an index or a table of contents, but this may be easily remedied in a future edition.

Critical Review.

Perhaps there is not a publication in any language, which is better calculated for the information of young students, in whatever relates to the manners and customs of ancient Greece than Bos's antiquities. And Mr. Stockdale, as a translator, has performed his task with fidelity.

Brit. Magazine.

522. Socrates out of his Senses. *Vide article, 439.*

Socrates out of his senses is, in the strictest sense of the word, a philosopher. We find him here, not the snarling cynic, who from his tub railed at all the world, but the truly sensible man, the friend of mankind, the citizen of the world; with a heart susceptible of the tenderest emotions, and who gives lessons of importance to human welfare in the most facetious, and sometimes in the most pathetic manner.

Critical Review.

These volumes are pretended by the author to be translated from an ancient manuscript, but are in reality the productions of an ingenious modern writer, who has made the dialogues of Diogenes a vehicle for conveying to the reader a number of sensible, satirical, and entertaining observations upon the manners of mankind.

Ledger.

523. Whitaker's History of the Britons asserted. *Vide article, 433.*

Mr. Whitaker's minute acquaintance with the history of the Britons must be admitted as a sufficient qualification for the task he has undertaken in this work, so far as the controversy is supported by written authorities; but we cannot help thinking, that he violates probability, in alledging that Mr. Macpherson possesses
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but a confined knowledge of the Celtic language, and he is certainly bold in contesting with him the etymology of words, derived from his vernacular tongue. In some of his observations, Mr. Whitaker is supported by facts; but in general, they are chiefly derived from etymology and conjecture. With respect to the style, it contains great spirit and energy.

Critical Review.

The mistakes, which Mr. Macpherson has committed in relation to the earlier history of Ireland and Scotland are here corrected and animadverted on. The insufficiency of his historical arguments is fully shewn, and the matters in dispute are settled upon a solid foundation. Tho' this performance is keen and spirited, there is no illiberal invective in it. It abounds with historical knowledge, and is remarkable, for much acuteness of investigation.

Universal Mag.

This work appears to be the most complete victory that ever was gained by one writer over another. The depth of knowledge, and the singular penetration which have enabled Mr. Whitaker to overthrow the arguments of his antagonist, are not however more striking, than the respectful gallantry with which he treats him during the contest. The fire and eloquence which run through the whole of this masterly performance, call also for the highest commendation.

Lond. Magazine.

524. Remarks on Mr. Macpherson's Introduction, &c. *Vide* article, 372.

This performance is as contemptible as the preceeding is excellent. It breathes a spirit of rancour and malevolence, and its assertions are lame and unsupported.

Universal Mag.

Dull, quibbling and methodistical.

Critical Review.

525. An Examination of the Arguments contained in a late introduction to the history of the ancient Irish and Scots. 4to. 2s. 6d. 1771. Johnson.

The author of this treatise declares himself totally ignorant of the Celtic language, and therefore confines his examination to such arguments as Mr. Macpherson has advanced in support of his system. When we review the arguments produced in this examination, they appear to be full of plausibility, and are urged likewise with address; but if we take a view of the facts upon which they are founded, their force is greatly diminished. However, upon the whole, the examiner's arguments are ingenious, but not decisive of the controversy.

Critical Review.

526. Conjectural Observations on the origin and progress of alphabetic writing. *Vide* article, 128.

Among other things, this author endeavours to give the letters of the alphabet some natural relation to the elementary sounds of speech, for which they stood. In doing which we find some resemblances obvious and striking, in others only a faint, or probably,

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no similitude. (Vide article, 429.) However, as he proposes his observations, with great modesty, his conjectures are, at least, entituled to a favourable reception. Critical Review.

527. Price's Appeal, on the National Debt. *Vide articles, 242, 352.*

The various calculations given by Dr. Price, in support of the schemes here proposed for annihilating the national debt, appear, at least to us, far from satisfactory; and we are sorry to find, in several parts of this appeal, a misanthropy, which, we think, does little honour to a gentleman of the sacerdotal function.

Critical Review.

528. Indolence a Poem. *Vide article, 391.*

We have seldom had the pleasure of perusing a work in which philosophical sentiment is so beautifully decorated as in this poem. With a justness of thought, it possesses a warmth of virtuous inclination, a liveliness of fancy, and a force of description, which do equal honour to the genius and judgment of the fair author.

Critical Review.

529. The Conquest of Corsica. A tragedy. *Vide article, 319.*

Incapable of exciting any other passion than that of pity for the author, who is probably involved in distressful circumstances.

Critical Review.

530. Essays on various Subjects. 2 vols. *Vide article, 243.*

In these two little volumes, if we have few instances of novelty of sentiment, yet the easy, disengaged manner in which it is written, renders it not unentertaining. The subject of these essays are generally of a serious cast, tho' the writer makes some pertinent observations on the modish follies of mankind. In the second volume, we have some prose pastorals, which are tolerably pretty. There are also some allegories and a fairy tale, but these afford little entertainment.

Critical Review.

Seemingly containing a deal of just sentiment and useful knowledge. Gent. Magazine.

531. A Letter to the Bishop of London. *Vide article, 401.*

These animadversions shew, that an ingenious adversary can place a most respectable character in an unfavourable light.

Critical Review.

532. Confusion worse confounded. *Vide article, 255.*

Rice Evans was a crack-brained enthusiast, who in 1653 published an account of his visions and idle reveries, in a tract, which he called an Echo from heaven. Dr. Fortin having mentioned his name in his Remarks on ecclesiastical history, bishop Warburton, who happened to have the echo, sent him an extract with a large comment on it, which Dr. Fortin inserted in his
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appendix to the first book of his remarks. The bishop instead of treating the dreamer with contempt, speaks of him as a prophet, on which account he is here severely ridiculed. But the facetious and learned author of the publication before us, takes notice of several other comments, criticisms, positions, and paradoxes, which are to be met with in his lordship's writings. Critical Review.

533. Bromehead's Oration on public Infirmaries. *Vide* article, 412.

This oration is entituled to some approbation. It is in many places, lively and sentimental; and that it abounds not more with the figures of rhetoric, we may admit as an imperfection of the subject. Critical Review.

534. A Modest Defence of Charity-Children. *Vide* article, 416.

This pamphlet consists of two insignificant dialogues, in which the author has frequently transgressed the rules of grammar. Critical Review.

535. A Letter to Richard Whitworth, Esq. *Vide* articles, 230, 313.

This letter breathes a liberal spirit, and contains several judicious observations. Critical Review.

The writer of this letter has, in our opinion, discussed his subject in a sensible candid manner, and has made several remarks on the game laws, that are worthy the consideration of the legislature. Ledger.

536. Imprisonment for Debt considered. *Vide* articles, 249, 312.

Discussed with great strength of argument. Critical Review.

537. Essays and Letters, &c. *Vide* article 381.

In respect to the tendency of these pieces, they are in general, either innocent or moral, and some of them afford entertainment. Critical Review.

A collection of light, inoffensive pieces, not totally void of instruction or entertainment. Ledger.

538. The Life of J. Britain. *Vide* article, 123.

The effrontery of this biographer can be equalled only by his villainy and falsehood. Critical Review.

539. Antiquities of Ely Cathedral. *Vide* article 51.

This expensive and very curious work was published by subscription, and the plates which are 50 in number, and which are drawn and engraved with uncommon elegance and precision, by Messrs. Heins and Lamborn, were the contributions of those gentlemen or societies to whom they are inscribed. It is remarkable that Mr. Joseph Bentham, (a brother of the editor) late printer

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to the university of Cambridge, has, with this work, closed his labours, and, more majorum, has concluded it with hic finis officii atque laboris. Gent. Magazine.

540 Considerations on Criminal Law. *Vide* article, 379.

Displaying great erudition and strong natural abilities. This able author needs only to be read attentively.—Conviction must follow. Brit. Magazine.

Explaining at considerable length, the defects and rigor of our penal laws. And the author has suggested amendments, which, if adopted, would certainly be attended with the most beneficial consequences. Universal Mag.

541. A Miscellany of Eastern Learning. *Vide* article 430.

A more insipid, and, at the same time, a more stale medley has not appeared for some time; and we know not which to condemn most, the futility of Mons. Cardonne in putting them together, or the effrontery of his translator in obtruding it upon the English reader, without understanding either the language of France, or the language in which he writes. Brit. Magazine.

The materials these volumes exhibit are, in general, selected with taste and choice; and it may prove useful to young readers. Universal Mag.

542. The Fashionable Lover; a comedy. *Vide* article, 197.

We advise this author, before the tide of popular prejudice turns against him, to retire with a good grace; or he may depend on it, he will do, as many others have recently done before him, write himself as effectually down, as they have suddenly written themselves up: at least, this will certainly be the case, unless he adopts both different principles and practice with respect to his conduct in dramatic compositions. Brit. Magazine.

543. Steven's Songs. *Vide* article, 378.

This performance contains 136 songs, written by the well-known author of the Lecture upon Heads, which carry with them strong marks of the humour of the ingenious author: to which is prefixed a concise history of ballad-singing and choice spirits. Town & C. Mag.

544. Considerations on the Mutiny-Act. *Vide* articles, 260, 343.

This author seems well acquainted with his subject; and the alterations he recommends would be beneficial. Town & C. Mag.
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545. Thoughts on the constitutional Power and Right of the Crown, in the Bestowal of Places, &c. *Vide* article, 382.

A sensible and spirited production. Town & C. Mag.

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In this performance, there is a strain of patriotic spirit, which renders it highly interesting ; and the observations and reasoning it contains, are worthy of a serious perusal. Universal Mag.

546. Price's Observations on Reverfionary Payments. *Vide* article, 285.

This curious and elaborate work well deserves the attention of the public in general, and the legislature in particular.

Town & C. Mag.

547. Political Essays. *Vide* articles, 236, 356.

Tho' from the author's own account, as well as from the work itself, it appears that he has conducted himself with great candour, yet we must observe that he is not always well-informed, and that he writes not with elegance or precision. This work, notwithstanding, may be considered as a valuable assemblage of facts; and we cannot help regretting the absence of penetration and ingenuity which might have employed so large a stock of materials to advantage.

Lond. Magazine.

548. Observations on the Popery Laws. *Vide* article, 386.

Written with great strength of judgment and much purity of expression.

Lond. Magazine.

The observations this piece exhibits, are acute and ingenious, and the author has expressed them in a flow of strong and beautiful language.

Universal Mag.

549. Priestly on the Discoveries relative to Vision, &c. *Vide* article, 369.

The excellent manner in which Dr. Priestly has explained and illustrated the subject of the present volume, is a favourable presage of the merit with which his whole plan will be executed. From what he has already performed, we may judge of the stateliness and grandeur of the superstructure he is to raise.

Lond. Magazine.

The design of this undertaking is to collect the valuable information scattered thro' a multitude of books on the same subject, and the talents of its learned and ingenious author seem very adequate to its importance. To a taste for experiments, he joins the most persevering and indefatigable industry, and an admirable skill in arranging, selecting, and abridging the materials he has collected.

Universal Mag.

550. Letters on the present State of England. *Vide* articles, 245, 328.

These letters embrace a multitude of subjects of difficult and nice discussion; and, tho' they are written with a degree of spirit, we must be allowed to say, that the immense field, upon which our author has dared to enter, seems greatly disproportioned to his in-

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formation and abilities. His decisions are too frequently the effect of precipitation or mistake. Lond. Magazine.

Discovering more vivacity than knowledge, and more taste than judgment. These letters, however, display many pertinent remarks; and the strain of liberty and freedom with which they are written, is highly commendable.—What the author has observed concerning politics, is more able and worthy of attention, than what he has said concerning the arts, manners, or literature.

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551. An Historical Miscellany. *Vide* articles, 207, 358.

This collection displays a judgement and taste that are very rarely exhibited in publications of this nature. The exquisite materials of which it is composed, are drawn from the rich sources of ancient history, and those few works of very approved merit, which have been published in modern times. As this publication may prove of very singular use in the seminaries of learning, we cannot but mark it with our best approbation. Lond. Magazine.

We have good reason to believe that this miscellany was compiled by Mr. Rose of Chiswick, and it is but justice to observe of it, that it is admirably well adapted for the use of schools and academies. It consists of three parts. The first contains historical narrations; the second gives a series of characters; and the third exhibits reflections concerning manners and government.

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552. Ewing's Synopsis of Practical Mathematics. *Vide* article, 435.

This work does not address itself to the learned. It is intended for the use of those who exercise the lower employments of life: and as it is impossible for the soldier, the sailor, or the surveyor to exercise their professions rationally, without being expert in most parts of practical mathematics, it offers to instruct them in these, in an effectual manner, and in the shortest form. The rules it contains and the lessons it teaches, are delivered in clear and concise terms. The author appears to be no mean proficient in mathematical studies, and the work deserves attention and encouragement.

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553. Essays moral, philosophical, and political. *Vide* articles, 117, 182.

Not being written in the spirit of system, they are more valuable. The author has every where adduced facts to illustrate and adorn his reasonings; and his production, while it shews him to possess erudition and knowledge, is composed with great elegance and propriety of expression.

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554. Essays on Song-writing. *Vide* articles, 278, 345.

The object of this writer was to unite in one firm body, the

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most excellent productions in song-writing; and perhaps there are few pieces of high poetical merit in this branch, that have escaped his observation. During the progress of his researches, he was insensibly led to make some remarks on the peculiar character and diversities of the pieces, which passed in review before him, and these he gives in the form of essays. Universal Mag.

555. The Fine Lady. A novel. *Vide* article, 306.

This piece in point of fable and character, is greatly superior to the generality of publications of the same kind; it seems particularly calculated for the use of the ladies, and to illustrate the ingenious author's position, that it is the first part of virtue to strengthen the mind against the attacks of vice, and to secure all the avenues, by which it may make its approaches.

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556. Every Man his own Lawyer; or a Summary of the Laws of England in a new and instructive Method. All of them so plainly treated of, that all manner of persons may be particularly acquainted with our laws and statutes, concerning civil and criminal affairs, and know how to defend themselves, and their estates and fortunes, in all cases whatsoever. 8vo. 498 pages, besides index. 7th edition, 6s. bound. Strahan.

This title-page promises a great deal more than is to be met with in the book. Persons not bred to the law will with difficulty understand it, and to those who are, it appears to us to convey very superficial information. This edition is corrected and improved, with many additions from Lord Raymond, Comyn, Strange, Foster, and with the statute law down to 11 George III. inclusive.

557. The Case of Edmond Rolfe, Esq; Appellant, and John Peterson and Son, Respondents, heard at the Bar of the House of Lords, on Monday and Tuesday the 17th and 18th days of February, 1772, together with the arguments made use of on both sides, and the proceedings and determinations thereon. 8vo. 40 pages. 6d. Chase, Norwich.

The case is this. Peterson covenanted by lease with Mr. Rolfe, to pay 5l. per year for certain acres of land, should he plow them up, and to pay him 5l. for every load of thorns, or bushes, that he carried off the premises, and having stubbed up 10 acres of whinns and sold them, Mr. Rolfe sued him in the Common Pleas, and obtained 300l. damages, which Peterson, by appeal to Chancery, got set aside. Mr. Rolfe, therefore, appealed to the House of Lords, and got the decree of Chancery reversed.

558. Paradise regained; or the Scripture Account of the glorious Millennium, &c. the time when it will commence; first resurrection and change; Elijah and St. John prophesy 1200 days. Antichrist, the Man of Sin, destroyed. Satan found,

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and shut up 1000 years; loosed a little season, to prove the Nations; his hosts, Gog and Magog, devoured by fire. The second resurrection and final judgment. The most glorious eternal kingdom, in which, God, even the Father, will be all in all. Unto which is added, a consistent explanation of the Prophet Daniel. Numbers. 8vo. 44 pages. 1s. Buckland.

This whimsical Writer, from a fanciful explanation of certain passages of Scripture, presumes to foretel, that a new temple will be built at Jerusalem, with many particulars concerning it, that Elijah and the Evangelist John will return upon earth, and die martyrs, and that, during the last age of the world, will be the age of the Millennium, when there will be a communication between heaven and earth, and the Lord shall reign with the faithful; and many other wild extravagancies.

559. The Trial of William Morgan, for the Murder of Miss Mary Jones, at the assizes held at Gloucester, on the 11th of March, 1772, before the Right Hon. Sir George Nares, Knt. 4to. 16 pages. 6d. Bladon.

To this trial is added a letter Morgan sent his father, just before his execution, acknowledging his guilt. The Judge's address to the criminal, before sentence was passed, is extremely pathetic, and well worth reading.

960. A Discourse delivered to the Students of the Royal Academy, on the Distribution of the Prizes, Dec. 10, 1771. By the President. 4to. 29 pages. 2s. Davies.

So well written on the subject of history-painting, as to do equal honour to Sir Joshua Reynolds as a Writer, as a Painter.

561. The Delicate Jester; or Wit and Humour divested of Ribaldry. Containing great variety of entertaining tales, allegories, anecdotes, and repartees of persons, remarkable in wit and understanding; intermixed with poems, songs, epigrams, and epitaphs; most of the materials entirely new. 12mo. 70 pages. 1s. Dixwell.

Throughout this work, the poetry is in one page, and the prose in the opposite. If decency will recommend it, we can safely say 'tis decent.

562. Alonzo; or the Youthful Solitaire. A Tale. 4to. 23 pages. 1s. 6d. Robson.

The story of this little tale is taken from Gil Blas. Alonzo, loving and beloved by Marcella, is just on the eve of being married, when honour obliged him to vindicate his character at the point of the sword. He meets his antagonist and kills him. Flying into the country for shelter, he happens on a hermits cave, where on entering, he finds the old man dying; as soon as dead, he puts on the hermits dress, and takes possession of his cell;
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Marcella, despairing to see Alonzo more, determines on retiring to a convent, and takes her father to conduct her. This hermitage being on the road, Alonzo and Marcella meet, and with their father fly to a distant land, and spend their days with comfort. The measure of this poem is six and eight. The poetry not amiss, but the transitions are too sudden, and the story is not well worked up.

563. A scheme for the Coalition of Parties, humbly submitted to the public. 8vo. 34 pages. 1s. Wilkie.

The scheme here proposed is an annual administration, and that the principal officers of state should be chosen by ballot, from the members of the two houses. We presume it will be sufficient to our readers to have mentioned this wise plan, without entering into any comment upon it.

564. Corrections in verse, from the father of the college; on Son Cadogan's gout-dissertation: containing false physic, false logic, false philosophy. By Sir William Browne. 4to. 8 pages. 6d. Doddsley.

It may be truly said there is neither rhyme nor reason in this performance; it being a poor attempt at humour, in worse than doggrel verse.

565. A Specimen of the regal and ecclesiastical antiquities of England, attempted after the model of Montfaucon's antiquities of France, by Joseph Strut. 4to. 2 pages and 5 copper-plates. 2s. 6d. Published for the author. Thane and Snelling.

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609. Calculations deduced from first principles, in the most familiar manner, by plain arithmetic, for the use of the Societies instituted for the benefit of Old Age; intended as an introduction to the study of the doctrine of annuities. By a Member of one of the Societies. large 8vo. 428 pages. 7s. bound. Ridley.

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The author of these pages prevents our saying any thing respecting his abilities as an author, by telling us, that he never had a liberal education; his design in this work is to convince the generality of people, of the absurdity of subscribing their money on the present plans of provision for old age, agreeable to what Dr. Price has already lain down, but in a manner more intelligible to an ordinary capacity. To render this work more useful, he has entered into an examination of all the different plans now subsisting, and shewn their insufficiency to fulfil their proposals.

610. Travels through Holland, Flanders, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Lapland, Russia, the Ukraine, and Poland, in the year 1768, 1769, and 1770. In which is particularly minuted, the present state of those countries, respecting their agriculture, population, manufactures, commerce, the arts, and useful undertakings. By Joseph Marshall, Esq; 3 vols. 8vo, pages 1104. in the three. 18s. bound. Almon.

This publication explains, tho' in a detached manner, the present state of agriculture, manufactures, and commerce, of the various nations above mentioned, greatly superior to any former account. The author's visiting the more uncommon countries of the northern regions, or such as we have little or no account of, makes the work still more valuable. Respecting the present state of the revenues, forces, power, &c. of the various nations, they are not so exact as we could wish. The author's total ignorance of the languages of the countries thro' which he passed, is probably the reason of his giving an erroneous description of several places; together with the omission of several entertaining and valuable remarks too numerous to mention here.

The volume before us is written in a series of letters, and may be considered as an useful pocket-companion, for such gentlemen as make the tour of the countries mentioned in the title-page. The author appears to be a man of sense and observation; his descriptions, though short, are by no means unsatisfactory; and his table of Dutch and French coins, with his calculations of the expences of travelling from place to place, cannot fail of being extremely useful to the reader, by putting him upon his guard against the impositions too generally practised by the publicans on the continent.

Ledger.

611. Ten minutes advice to every Gentleman going to purchase a Horse out of a Dealer, Jockey, or Groom's Stable. small 12mo. 16 pages. 1s. Bell.

This adviser has forgot he is talking to gentlemen, who, from their unacquaintance with horses, are supposed to need advice: for he has made use of technical terms, without explaining them. He has also confined himself to the going of a horse, without attending to his beauty, or pointing out many of those defects with which horses

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horses are deceitfully sold, viz. spavin, soundness of wind, &c. However, the information it gives is certainly worth a shilling, and it is neatly printed.

612. An Essay on the Nature and Causes of the Gout, with a few conjectures on the probability of its cure. By Marmaduke Berdoe, M. D. 8vo. 104 pages. 1s. 6d. Bath printed, Hazard, Bath.

This author, with Dr. Cadogan, attributes the gout chiefly to indigestion, brought on by intemperance and irregularity, also by an overstudious and sedentary life; but differs from him, in that he allows it to be hereditary. His observations respecting the changes produced in the body, at the different periods of life, from change of climate, &c. are valuable. It were to be wished his style was more modern. The cases with which he concludes are well adapted, to shew what Nature is capable of affecting in the cure of diseases, and how she points out the way to be pursued by the practitioner, when incapable of attaining her ends without medical assistance.

613. Doctor Cadogan's Dissertation on the Gout, and all other chronic diseases, examined and refuted. In a letter to the author. By John Berkenhout, M. D. 8vo. 38 pages. 1s. Bladon.

If we may be permitted to make use of a vulgar phrase, Dr. Berkenhout has here given Dr. Cadogan, a wipe. Tho' he has entered rather superficially into the subject, he has treated it sensibly, and with humour. Our author's doctrine is this, that the cause of the Gout is not to be sought for in the daily use of wine; nor even in intemperance, unless intemperance be joined with inactivity. He concludes the Gout to be hereditary, and also that a radical cure is to be expected, not in abstinence from wine, nor in this or that particular article of food or medicine, but in temperance and labour: labour properly distinguished from what is commonly understood by exercise. In short from a review of all that has been urged upon this important matter, by those who have thought proper to take it up, we have only to say, that Doctors disagree.

614. Aracyntha: An Elegy. By Henry Norris of Taunton. Small 4to. 15 pages. 6d. Taunton printed. Caslon.

The subject of this little piece, is that of a faithless maid quitting one lover for another; and, from an inward sense of baseness, disturbed with reproachful dreams, quitting her bed in the middle of the night, flying to a neighbouring grove for repose, and there dying frantic. It is pathetically worked up, and very poetic.

615. A complete and faithful collection of the several papers which

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which have been published in Oxford, on the subject of Subscription to the 39 articles, required from young persons at their matriculation. 8vo. 118 pages. 1s. 6d. Oxford printed. Leacroft.

We have no doubt but that these papers are authentic, and think, with the publisher, that, as it is probable, this matter will be further agitated, they cannot be unacceptable to the public.

616. The Christian Minister, in three poetic epistles to Philander. To which are added, 1. Poetical versions of several parts of scripture. 2. Translations of poems from Greek and Latin writers; and 3. Original pieces, chiefly in verse, on various occasions. By Thomas Gibbons, D. D. 8vo. 226 pages. 4s. bound. Buckland.

This Dr. Gibbons is a dissenting minister; by Philander he means Mr. James Watson, once his pupil, now pastor of a church at Gosport. The epistles are in blank verse, and are on the duties of the pulpit, the course of a clergyman's study and the conduct of his life; and contain some very sensible judicious instructions, such as every clergyman may profit by. We cannot say much in favour of the poetry; but as the whole of this work has a manifest tendency to promote the interests of piety and virtue, we shall venture to recommend it.

617. The Advancement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, containing, the descriptions with perspective views, geometrical plans, &c. of the most useful machines and models contained in the repositories of the society for the encouragement of arts, manufactures, and commerce; with an account of the several discoveries and improvement which they have promoted in agriculture, polite arts, manufactures, mechanics, and chemistry; with a list of the names of the several persons who have obtained premiums and bounties, and the respective sums and medals given by the society from the first institution to this time. By William Bailey, Register to the Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce. 4to. 400 pages and 55 plates. 2l. 12s. 6d. Doddsley.

'Tis to the Society of Arts and Sciences, that we owe a great number of improvements in agriculture, manufactures, &c. But these improvements have, as it were, been buried, for want of being made generally known. To remove this obstacle, Mr. Bailey has here given the public a beautiful edition of all the new-invented instruments and machines that have been presented to the society from time to time. After giving us the figure, he has explained its use and advantages, and told us the encouragement it met with from the society. The engravings are elegant, and the work valuable.

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618. The Book of Job, in English verse: Translated from the original Hebrew; with remarks historical, critical, and explanatory. By Thomas Scott. 4to. 1l. 1s. 1771. Cadell, &c.

This performance recommends itself to the public in a double capacity; as a translation of the book of Job, in verse, and as a learned and elaborate commentary upon that valuable, but difficult part of the old-testament. Though this book is in itself a regular, and a peculiarly beautiful and noble poem, yet it does not appear to great advantage in an English poetical dress. Mr. Scott has added, by way of appendix, four short dissertations; the first of which contains some queries and observations, in order to determine whether the book of Job was written by an Arabian or a Hebrew prophet.

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619. Essays moral, philosophical, and political. *Vide* articles 117, 182, 553.

John Mills, Esq; is the author of these essays; and, from an attentive perusal, it is with pleasure that we find they deserve to be recommended, not only from the easy propriety with which they are written, but from the weight of many of the truths they inculcate.

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This is no other than a translation, by Mr. Mills, from a French publication, entitled, Essais sur divers sujets interressans, &c. printed in 1760.

620. Essays on various Subjects. *Vide* articles, 243, 530.

These little volumes contain an agreeable miscellany, in which the fair writer (now deceased) presents us with a variety of subjects, treated in a sensible and pleasing manner. The author is Mrs. Catharine Talbot, the intimate and amiable friend of the late Archbishop Secker. In this publication, as in the whole conduct of her life, she discovers great ingenuity, sensibility, and piety; and has here provided an agreeable and instructive amusement for young people.

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621. Hurd's Sermons on the Prophecies. *Vide* article, 411.

The main design of the institution that gave rise to these sermons is, to interpret and apply particular prophecies; and this introductory course of lectures is admirably calculated to prepare and facilitate the execution of it. Dr. Hurd does not comment on prophecy by the false lights of the imagination, but takes his ideas from scripture only, from what the spirit of prophecy hath revealed of itself, and conducts his enquiry with proper caution and diffidence, treating this important subject with great perspicuity, accuracy, and strength of reasoning.

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622. Price's Appeal on the National Debt. *Vide* articles, 242, 352, 527.

The author of this appeal has approved himself a true friend to his country; and we see united in him qualities, which do not always concur in the same person, great abilities and good inclinations to do it essential service. He does not content himself with barely pointing out the proper mode of relief, but urges the application of it with all the powers of eloquence, animated by an amor patriæ which will do him honour with the latest posterity.

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A second edition of this appeal has appeared, to which the author has added explanatory observations and tables, and an account of the present state of population in the County of Norfolk.

623. Whitaker's History of the Britons asserted. *Vide* articles, 433, 523.

This ingenious Writer having, in his History of Manchester, endeavoured to rescue from obscurity and fiction the ancient history of Caledonia and Ireland, thought it incumbent upon him to vindicate the conclusions he had there formed, from the indirect attack made upon them by Mr. Macpherson, in his Introduction to the History of Great Britain and Ireland, which he has here victoriously done. He detects and exposes his apparent inconsistencies and errors, with a degree of force and conviction, which admits of little hesitation or doubt. Indeed, Mr. Macpherson has publicly declined making any reply.

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624. Letters concerning the present state of England. *Vide* articles, 245, 328.

This author possesses that mediocrity of parts which is characteristic of, perhaps, one half of mankind; nor does his performance indicate that force of penetration and genius, which distinguishes those who are destined to extend the limits of knowledge. The information he communicates is either obvious and known, or imperfect and superficial; and he has delivered it with a tone of self-sufficiency, which must necessarily displease the more intelligent of his readers.

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625. An Enquiry into the Influence of the Electric Fluid in the structure and formation of animated Beings. By Marmaduke Berdoe, M. D. of the Faculty of Montpelier, &c. 8vo. 4s. boards, 1771. Bath printed. Doddsley.

Not a page immediately applicable to medical practice is to be found in this work. It is replete with theory and fanciful conjectures, well or ill-founded, from one end of it to the other; on such subjects as the nature of man, the generation and expansion of the embryo, proofs of a propulsive force exerted in the animal molecule, &c. As to the influence of the electric fluid, as a prime agent in the generation and formation of animals, we find nothing in this treatise that clears up this grand physical arcanum, or any other.

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626. An Essay on the Pudendagra. By Marmaduke Berdoe, M. D. 8vo. 1s. 1771. Bath printed. Robinson.

This Essay is of a more practical nature than the Author's foregoing publication. It contains an account of what the ancients and moderns have said on this disease, and of the circumstance in which it differs from the lues venerea. If this author is determined to write on, we would advise him to be more solid, and less florid, pathetic and declamatory in his future medical productions. (Vide article 612.)

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627. Essays on several important Subjects in Surgery, &c. The whole illustrated with copper-plates. By John Aitken, Surgeon, of the College and Incorporation of Surgeons in Edinburgh. 8vo. 4s. sewed. 1771. Dilly.

In the first of these Essays, which forms the most considerable and useful part of this work, the author treats of the nature and cure of fractures of bones of the extremities. The other are relative to the same subject except the last, wherein he considers the defects of the key-instrument at present used in the drawing of teeth, and endeavours to obviate them in the construction of a new instrument here described. On the whole, this work is evidently the production of a man of science and ingenuity, and contains many hints worthy the attention of practitioners.

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628. An Account of the Method of obtaining a perfect or radical Cure of the Hydrocele, or Watry Rupture, by means of a Seton. By Percival Pott, F. R. S. and Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital. 8vo. 1s. 1771. Hawes.

A radical cure is here proposed by exciting an artificial inflammation between the tunica albuginea and the tunica vaginalis, by means of a Seton, so as to produce an obliteration of the cavity which is the seat of this disease. Mr. Pott speaks with confidence of its success, and describes it with that plainness and accuracy, which distinguish his judicious and useful publications.

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629. Macbride's Introduction to Physic. Vide article, 422.

This work, we are informed, contains the substance of a course of Lectures, which were read for some seasons at Dublin. The plan adopted by the author is chiefly that of Sauvages; but he has considerably retrenched the superfluities of that useful writer. The work is divided into two parts; the first of which explains the principles on which the medical art is founded, and the second is employed on the history of diseases, and the method of cure. Though we object against the minute arrangement of his system, the execution of the work is justly entitled to our praise; and whoever peruses it with attention, we venture to affirm, will reap more useful knowledge from this introduction, than from any other single book on the theory and practice of physic.

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Drawn up with singular ability, and may prove of the highest use to the medical student. It is divided into twelve books, of which nine only are now published. Universal Mag.

630. A concise Account of the Properties and Effects of the Poudre Unique. By Thomas Seymour. 8vo. 1s. Robinson.

Though the frequent impositions practised upon the public, in respect to the recommendation of secret remedies, have justly induced a general diffidence of their efficacy, yet we find several reasons for regarding this performance with particular favour. It is written with a greater degree of candour and judgment than is usual in such productions, and the virtues of the medicines appear to be well attested. Critical Review.

631. An Essay on the Force of Imagination in Pregnant Women. *Vide* article, 599.

The arguments here produced against the vulgar opinion of the force of imagination in pregnant women, are rational and just; but if we are not mistaken, we have also seen that notion refuted, in a publication a few years ago, which was also addressed to the Ladies. Critical Review.

632. Dray's Reflections on Dr. Cadogan's Doctrine, &c. *Vide* article, 584.

The opinion adopted by Dr. Cadogan, that acids contribute greatly to the production of chronic diseases, is almost the sole subject of these reflections, which this author endeavours, from observation, to determine in the affirmative. Critical Review.

633. Cadogan's Dissertation examined by Berkenhout. *Vide* article, 613.

Though Dr. Cadogan's dissertation has been already so often examined, yet the epistolary form in which the present enquiry is written gives an air of novelty to the subject. Dr. Berkenhout, besides, treats several of the arguments in a new manner, and his conclusions are enforced with poignancy. Critical Review.

634. Monro's State of Facts, in answer to Hewson. *Vide* articles, 459, 458.

There is not the smallest ground to doubt that the proposal of performing the paracentesis of the thorax was originally suggested by Dr. Munro; and we are fully satisfied, that the merit of the discovery of the lymphatic valvular absorbent system of vessels, of right belongs to him also. Critical Review.

635. Hill, on the Petasite Root. *Vide* articles, 84, 456.

To speak in the most candid terms of this performance, from the cases here produced in support of the efficacy of the Petasite Root, we are much afraid that the author has exaggerated its virtues far beyond the bounds of justice. Critical Review.

636. Nature

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636. *Nature the best Physician; or every Man his own Doctor.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Cooke.

We should be inclined to leave every disease entirely to the management of nature, rather than run the hazard of complying with the unwarrantable prescriptions of this author. Critical Review.

637. *Oratio in Theatro Coll. Reg. Med. Lond. ex Harveii instituto, habita Festo D. Lucae, A. D. 1771.* a J. Green, M. D. 4to. 1s. Walter.

Differing from several former productions of this kind, in being less declamatory and affected. Critical Review.

638. *Duncan on the use of Mercury, in the Venereal Disease.* *Vide* articles, 376, 476.

Some strong objections are here fairly stated against the present prevailing opinion, that the good effects of mercury, in the venereal disease, are owing to the evacuations it produces. Dr. Duncan also denies that the cure of venereal ulcers, by the topical application of mercury, is, in the least, to be ascribed to its stimulant power, and adduces many substantial reasons in favour of the old theory, that mercury coming in contact with the pocky virus, possesses a power of rendering it inactive, and thus proves a cure for this loathsome disease. In treating of the use of mercurials, he determines the comparative advantages of the most effectual preparations of it; and points out those circumstances to which each is best adapted, and the principal cautions necessary to be observed by patients that have recourse to them. Brit. Magazine.

639. *White, on Diseases of the Bile.* *Vide* article, 449.

This pamphlet seems written with a view of puffing off a nostrum which the author pretends to possess for dissolving biliary concretions. The symptoms attending this disorder are described with accuracy, but the medical treatment laid down (the nostrum excepted) is in every respect the same as recommended by former writers on this subject. Brit. Magazine.

640. *Hulme on the Puerperal Fever.* *Vide* articles, 377, 472.

According to Dr. Hulme's opinion, the immediate cause of this fever is an inflammation of the intestines and omentum; the chief predisposing cause, the continued pressure of the gravid uterus, during pregnancy. He judiciously endeavours to separate from it such symptoms of other distempers as have erroneously been ascribed to this, and he cannot be sufficiently commended for the pains he has taken, by repeated dissections and a careful examination of the symptoms, to investigate the true cause, nature, and method, of curing the puerperal fever. Brit. Magazine.

641. *Fire analysed, or the several parts of which it is compounded clearly demonstrated by experiments, &c. and the manner and method of making Electricity medicinal and healing,* con-

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confirmed by a variety of cures. By Richard Symes, Rector of St. Werburgh's, Bristol, 8vo. 1s. 6d. 1771. Robinson.

The first part of this work is incomprehensible; the last Chapter, indeed, contains matter intelligible. Mr. Symes here recites the histories of twenty-two cures, selected from many others, performed by means of the electric machine, in a variety of cases. Some of these are remarkable enough, and are related, in general, with sobriety and precision. But though we are fully disposed to rely on the author's veracity, we own we are apprehensive that the histories related in this 8th chapter will suffer some diminution of weight and credibility, with those who consider their near relation to the mystic nonsense and credulity displayed in all the seven chapters that precede it. Monthly Review.

642. A practical Treatise on Singing and Playing with just expression and real elegance. Being an Essay on 1. Grammar, 2. Pronunciation, or the art of just speaking. 3. Singing—its graces—their application—on Cathedral Compositions. By Anselm Bayley, L.L. D. Sub-dean of his Majesty's Chapel Royal. 8vo. 2s. 1771. Ridley.

Many of the observations here have been extracted from Tosi's celebrated Observations on the Florid Song, to which Dr. Bayley has added many of his own. To those who are in want of instructions to execute vocal music, particularly the sacred, in a proper, inoffensive manner, these directions will undoubtedly be of service. Monthly Review.

643. An Essay on the right of every Man in a free state, to speak and write freely. *Vide* articles, 268, 344.

This is evidently the production of a Lawyer, and he has employed much learned investigation on topics, which, though of the highest importance, are fortunately so clear and obvious, that they strike the mind with an immediate conviction. We venerate that zeal for liberty which his performance discovers and inculcates; and are sorry that, with regard to literary merit, we cannot bestow upon it the highest commendation. Monthly Review.

644. Political Essays. *Vide* articles, 236, 356, 547.

The author of these essays appears to have grasped a large extent of disquisition; and his reading, on the different topics of enquiry, though not universal, will be found, by no means, to have been confined. Upon such subjects as admit of debate, he has stated with candour the arguments brought by opposite authors, and has generally endeavoured to lead the reader to a judicious determination. In the other qualities of a Writer, he is essentially defective; his language is unequal, inelegant, inaccurate; in his method we find frequent confusion, obscurity, and repetition; and when he aims at originality, by advancing any doctrine, without quoting his authority, we cannot help thinking his assertions generally hasty, and his conclusions unsup-

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unsupported by strength of reasoning. His essay upon the constitution of the British dominions is, indeed, an exception from this general censure; so that, upon the whole, we can recommend this performance as a repository of useful knowledge, though, at the same time, we must regret the want of that superior ability, necessary to have turned so large a stock of valuable materials to the highest advantage.

Critical Review.

The author before us is very far from being a contemptible writer, his style is masterly—His observations are just and forcible, and he appears to be intimately acquainted with the British empire.

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645. Considerations on the Mutiny Act. *Vide* articles, 260, 343.

Pertinent and forcible; probably the production of an Officer, and may be particularly useful to gentlemen in the army.

Monthly Review.

646. A Plan for the Government of the Provinces of Bengal. *Vide* article, 427.

This plan is addressed to the directors of the East India Company, and offers to their consideration some pertinent remarks in regard to regulations that might be employed with success to remedy those defects which disgrace the present mode of government in Bengal. The author does not appear to have been in the East, but, notwithstanding this, his reflections and reasonings may suggest the idea of useful and salutary measures.

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647. A Plan for extending the commerce of this Kingdom and of the East India Company. By Alexander Dalrymple, Esq; 8vo. 1s. 6d. 1769. Nourse.

Mr. Dalrymple's performance, tho' printed above two years ago, was not published till very lately; and contains much curious Information

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648. An Inquiry into the rights of the East India Company of making War and Peace. *Vide* article, 384.

In this enquiry the royal grants to the Company are employed to prove, that it possesses no right of itself to declare war or to make peace; and the author contends, that it would be wise and politic to narrow the bounds of the authority, which it ventures to exercise.

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649. Considerations on a Pamphlet entituled, *Thoughts on our acquisitions in the East Indies, particularly respecting Bengal.* 8vo. 1s. Nourse.

Here are many sensible remarks, but they are disfigured by others, which are frivolous and idle.

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650. The measures to be pursued in India for ensuring the permanency, and augmenting the commerce of the Company, farther considered; with the heads for carrying those measures into execution. By the Author of *Observations on the present state of the East India Company*, &c. 8vo. 1s. Nourse.

These remarks may be useful to those who are disposed to inform themselves minutely concerning the affairs of India, and the steps that might be pursued for the purposes of not only restoring them to tranquility but of advancing them to a state of higher importance than they have ever yet arrived to.

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651. Dow's History of Hindostan. *Vide* article, 420.

Colonel Dow is a gentleman of known abilities and opportunities of intelligence. His style here like that of his former works, is concise, nervous, and elegant; and there is hardly any historian who can pretend to excel him in justness of thought, strength of conception, and liveliness of description. Add to these considerations, that the objects which he presents to the mind, are great, interesting, and various; and you will easily conceive that this publication must be equally pregnant with entertainment and instruction.

Brit. Magazine.

After having explained with much philosophical perspicuity, the causes and the nature of that despotism which reigns in the East, our author enquires into the ruinous condition of our affairs in Bengal, and its dependencies; and suggests regulations by which they may be established, and restored to a state of prosperity. He then comes to what is properly the subject of his work, and records the transactions of the Mogul empire. His narration is forcible and masterly, and abounds with reflections which discover a degree of penetration and sagacity, which never marks the productions of ordinary men.

Universal Mag.

652. History of the four last Elections for the County of Suffolk. *Vide* article, 371.

The public spirit and the zeal for liberty which appear in these pages, are not a sufficient apology for the indecent heat with which they are written.

Monthly Review.

653. Thoughts on the Constitutional Power and the Right of the Crown, in the bestowal of places and pensions. *Vide* articles, 382, 545.

This author every where expresses his opinions with great freedom; and in general, we must think that they rest on a feeble foundation.

Monthly Review.

654. A Scheme for the coalition of Parties. *Vide* article, 563. Ironical and sarcastic.

Monthly Review.

We cannot refrain smiling at the modern race of projectors, who tho' they humbly submit their schemes to the public, pay no sort

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sort of regard to the practicalness of their plans, or the probability of their ever being adopted. An annual ministry at opening of every session of parliament, may tickle the fancy of a speculative schemist, but like real tickling, it can produce no other effect than make us laugh.

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655. Stephens on Imprisonment for Debt. *Vide* article, 269.

It is sufficient to observe of these letters, that they have already excited the compassion of good men, in regard to the unfortunate condition of imprisoned debtors.

Monthly Review.

656. Five Letters on important subjects. *Vide* article, 402.

This author appears to have written from motives of pure philanthropy. We are sorry to add, that his language is less praiseworthy than his sentiments.

Monthly Review.

657. Political Remarks on Dr. Nowell's sermon. *Vide* article, 571.

There are several observations in this performance that are worthy of notice. The writer has not completed his design in the present letter, but reserves the rest of his animadversions for another. Perhaps the whole of them might have been comprised in a shilling pamphlet, without any material injury to the publisher.

Monthly Review.

Cursory remarks on Dr. Nowell's sermon, calculated to expose the absurd doctrine of divine right and passive obedience.

Critical Review.

658. The Works of Algernon Sydney; a new edition. 4to. Royal paper. 1l. 7s. bound. Becket, &c.

Great pains have been taken to render the present edition of this truly noble and valuable book exceedingly correct and accurate. It is elegantly printed, under the same respectable patronage to which the public was obliged for a prior edition of Sydney on Government; in the year 1763. To this edition are the following additions. 1. Letters of Algernon Sydney, taken from Thurloe's state papers. 2. The Protectors advice to Sydney, when he went to the king of Sweden in Poland. 3. A general view of government in Europe, and 4 Notes.

Monthly Review.

659. Milton's Areopagitica. *Vide* articles, 406, 488.

Containing nothing new, except an abusive attack on Mr. Jenkinson, and absurd apprehensions that the ministry entertain a design of laying restraints on the liberty of the press.

Critical Review.

Several new reasons have been advanced, by the modern advocates, for an imprimatur, and we only do justice to the editor of this most valuable piece, when we affirm, that in his preface, which breathes throughout the true spirit of patriotism, he has

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stated them with candour, and refuted them with ability.

Brit. Magazine.

660. The Tyranny of the Magistrates of Jersey, &c. demonstrated. *Vide* article, 602.

We are here presented with such additional evidence of the various oppressions exercised over the inhabitants of Jersey, that we can entertain no doubt but the parliament will speedily take the subject under their serious consideration. Critical Review.

661. The Rights of the Sailors vindicated. *Vide* article, 569.

This author inveighs warmly against the practice of impressing men, as a flagrant violation of magna charta.

Critical Review.

The above proved, with success.

Universal Mag.

Sensible and pertinent.

Brit. Magazine.

662. Junius. *Vide* article, 385.

To this complete edition of the letters of Junius, is prefixed the motto, stat nominis umbra. As these letters are generally known, we shall pay them no farther attention, and only congratulate the public on the event of the author being, at length, converted into a shade. Critical Review.

663. The controversial Letters of John Wilkes, &c. *Vide* article, 483.

Discordia fratrum.

Critical Review.

664. Indolence a Poem. *Vide* articles, 391, 528.

That indolence which is the subject of the present panegyric is not sordid sloth, nor the lazy apathy of the stoics, but in the words of the poem itself,

———Philosophic rest,

The inward sunshine of th' unruffled breast.

The public owes this pleasing poem, in praise of still life, to the ingenious Mrs. Celestia, author of Almida, a tragedy.

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665. Two Lyric Essays. *Vide* articles, 272, 330.

There are passages in these odes, which would lead us to expect, that he who could produce such lines at seventeen, would not be an unsuccessful woer of the muses at seven and twenty.

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666. The Epocha. *Vide* article, 581.

A satirical view of the times; in which the author has shewn more spirit, than judgment or elegance of taste, in poetical composition. Monthly Review.

A satirical representation of the manners of the times, which are

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are drawn sometimes with justness, sometimes with vivacity, and generally in smooth versification. Critical Review.

667. Political Poems. *Vide* article, 591.

A patriotic catchpenny.

Monthly Review.

Tho' we do not look on Junius as the real editor, we think he could not exercise his patriotic genius in a more innocent employment, than by selecting such little pieces of poetry, as are republished in this collection.

Critical Review.

668. The Pantheon Rupture. *Vide* article, 567.

Bishop Hall has divided his virgidemiarum into two classes of satirical writing, viz. the biting satire and the toothless. The present harmless performance may be ranked under the latter denomination; as it seems unlikely to bite any one except the bookseller.

Monthly Review.

We are sorry to understand that such respectable personages as elegance and reason should ever be divided in regard to the plan of any of our public entertainments, and we would recommend to the managers of the Pantheon, to bring about a reconciliation of them.

Critical Review.

669. Stevens's Songs. *Vide* articles, 378, 543.

Stevens is the D'Urfey of the age; but he has outdone D'Urfey as much in the number of his songs, as he has excelled him in the article of humour.

Monthly Review.

670. Killarney: a poem. *Vide* article, 603.

Tho' local scenes are in general more happily painted by the pencil than the pen, we must acknowledge that we have perused this descriptive poem with satisfaction. The natural beauties which form the author's subject are delineated in the liveliest colouring of poetry, at the same time that they are intermixed with agreeable fables and episodes.

Critical Review.

671. Poems on various subjects. By a young lady, eighteen years of age. 4to. 5s. Cadell.

The age as well as the sex of this author demands indulgence, and we are sorry that, consistently with our duty to the public, we cannot dismiss these poems without censure. We cannot discern in them such traces of genius as are likely to produce much better performances hereafter, and the present are deficient in every branch of poetical merit.

Critical Review.

672. Alonzo. A tale. *Vide* article, 562.

This tale, which bears a great similarity to several other poetical productions, is related in the measure of the old English ballads, and possesses no inconsiderable share of the beautiful simplicity.

Critical Review.

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673. Two Odes: to Fortitude and an Easy Chair. *Vide* article, 590.

Indifferent.

Critical Review.

674. Poems, consisting chiefly of translations from the Asiatic languages. *Vide* article, 586.

This volume discovers the author to be possessed of a high degree of critical discernment, as well as poetical taste.

Critical Review.

These poems, tho' they contain many very indifferent lines, are yet greatly above the standard of mediocrity; and they will become the subject of admiration, when they are considered as the juvenile productions of the celebrated author of the Persian grammar, whose genius and industry seem to grasp the whole extent of human science.

Lond. Magazine.

675. Miscellaneous Poems, consisting of originals and translations. By Vincent Bourne, M. A. late usher of Westminster School, &c. 4to. 11s. Doddsley.

Mr. Bourne is now dead, but his writings will be an everlasting testimony of his refined taste and elevated genius. There is such a remarkable felicity, such a classical purity in his language, such ease and harmony in his versification, that he was perhaps, at the time in which he wrote, the best Latin poet in Europe.

Critical Review.

676. Choice Emblems. *Vide* articles, 103, 219, 484.

Designed to adapt the sentiments of virtue to the capacities of children. The language is easy, the fables well-chosen; the instruction useful and important, and the whole properly calculated to make a deep, a lasting impression on the soft and ductile mind of youth. It contains 47 emblems.

Brit. Magazine.

This little performance is not void of ingenuity, and is sufficiently well calculated for conveying instruction to children in an agreeable manner.

Critical Review.

677. The Involuntary Inconstant. *Vide* articles, 414, 500.

There are scenes of distress in these volumes, but they fail to affect the heart. We cannot sympathize with what is extravagant, and out of the order of nature.

Monthly Review.

There is little variety here, and the characters are not sufficiently supported. They are, however, so far unexceptionable, as they offend not against morality.

Universal Mag.

678. The Precipitate Choice. *Vide* articles, 413, 499.

A variety of incidents, fancied without propriety, and expressed without elegance, cannot furnish entertainment to a mind, in the smallest degree cultivated by study or reflection. We should pity those readers to whom this production presents any thing interesting.

Monthly Review.

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In this novel is considerable vivacity; the story is conducted with art, and the incidents with which it is crowded are a proof that the author is not destitute of fancy and invention.

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This contemptible performance is remarkable only for the highest indelicacy of sentiment, the most displeasing incidents, and a perpetual affectation of the beau monde and la bon ton, of which the author seems to know nothing, but what is to be gathered from the scandal and ribaldry of news-papers.

Lond. Magazine.

679. The Triumph of Benevolence. *Vide* articles, 432, 498.

Containing some knowledge of life, with a considerable portion of humour, tenderness, and sentiment.

Monthly Review.

The work before us is an attempt, a feeble one it must be confessed, to revive the stile of Fielding and Smollet. But, instead of humour, we are nauseated with sentiment; instead of character, with unconnected incident; and, instead of the language of men, with the jargon of frenchified fribbles, or with the ahs! and the ohs! of love-sick swains and damsels.

Brit. Magazine.

680. The Fine Lady. *Vide* articles, 306, 555.

The vivacity of this novel gives it a degree of interest with the reader, which the author has agreeably heightened by the art with which the story unfolds itself.

Monthly Review.

681. The Memoirs of Miss Williams: a history founded upon facts. 12mo. 2 vols. 5s. sewed. Johnson.

We have here the reveries of a pious, and well-disposed, but weak religionist.

Monthly Review.

682. Memoirs of Francis Dillon, Esq. In a series of letters written by himself. 2 vols. 12mo. 6s. bound. Hookham. &c.

The details in this performance are most insufferably tedious, and are mixed with a vulgarity which is disgusting in the highest degree.

Monthly Review.

The characters here are feebly drawn, and they are engaged in no business sufficiently important to interest the reader in their affairs. There is nothing striking in the descriptive or sentimental parts; but every reader of taste will be shocked with the poverty of the language, in general, and with the vulgarity of the stile.

Critical Review.

683. Virtue in Distress. *Vide* articles, 99, 491.

Very bad indeed.

Critical Review.

684. A New Law-Dictionary, originally compiled by Giles Jacob. Now corrected and greatly enlarged by Owen Ruffhead, and J. Morgan, Esq. Folio. 2l. 2s. Beecroft.

A much

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A much improved edition, the present work containing 257 pages more than any former edition.

685. An Hour before Marriage, *Vide* article, 589.

The author of this petite piéce, which is a first attempt, is a Gentleman of Dublin. It is taken from Moliere's Marriage Forcé. The farce, though it met with ill-success, is not ill-written, nor destitute of either humour or character.

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686. Theatrical Biography. *Vide* articles, 409.

Many of the anecdotes here related are of such a private nature, as to admit neither of proof nor refutation. The work is therefore entitled to no degree of credit.

Critical Review.

687. Reflections on Celibacy and Marriage. In four letters to a friend; in which the advantages and disadvantages of the two states are compared. 8vo. 1s. 6d. 1771. Hawes & Co.

These four letters recite some serious, yet cheerful conversations, supposed to have passed at a weekly club. The rules of this little society are here exhibited, and the reasonings on each side of the subject in question delivered with a degree of spirit, good-humour, and good sense.

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688. A Critical Latin Grammar; containing clear and distinct rules for boys just initiated; and notes explanatory of almost every antiquity and obscurity in the language, for youth somewhat advanced in Latin Learning. By John Coledridge, Vicar and Schoolmaster at Ottery St. Mary, Devon. 12mo. 3s. Gardner.

Though there is a display of pedantry and learned frivolism in this publication, it appears to be the work of an experienced teacher; and may be employed in schools with advantage.

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689. The General History of Polybius. *Vide* article, 520.

Learned and ingenious.

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690. An Examination of the Arguments contained in a late Introduction to the History of the ancient Irish and Scots. *Vide* article, 525.

The public is indebted for this performance to Dr. Leland, Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin. The work is full of acuteness and good sense, and has given a very important criticism on the publication in question; but while he attempts to overthrow Mr. Macpherson's positions, he has not ventured to advance any system of his own.

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In this refutation there is much learning and ingenuity. The points in discussion are examined and explained with great clearness of reasoning, and the conclusions that are made, strike the reader with a very strong conviction.

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691. Remarks on Macpherson's Introduction, &c. *Vide* articles, 372, 524.

There are men whose gloomy dispositions lead them to receive pleasure from disfiguring and torturing every work of merit which they examine. Such is apparently the author of these remarks. In all his observations there is a disagreeable mixture of petulance and ill-nature; in few of them does he discover any real knowledge of history; and in none does he seem to pay much regard to good sense and sound reason. Here and there, indeed, we may, perhaps, discern some feeble glimmerings of truth; but he forfeits all pretensions to commendation, by his low sneers, and personal abuse of the eminent writer who is the object of his illiberal attacks.

Monthly Review.

692. Essays and Letters, &c. *Vide* articles, 381, 537.

The most considerable of these miscellaneous pieces were originally printed in The Student; a work of no mean reputation, supported, for some time, by the contributions of several men of genius of our two universities.

Monthly Review.

693. Paterson's Travelling Dictionary, &c. *Vide* articles, 108, 221.

Containing a set of very useful tables of distances, digested in a plain and simple manner; by which the number of miles from any one place (mentioned in the book) to another may be seen on immediate inspection.

Monthly Review.

694. A Letter to a Friend, occasioned by a French pamphlet. &c. *Vide* article, 410.

The French treatise, to which this is an answer, is written with a good deal of art, and its authors are by no means unacquainted with the Hebrew Language, and with rabinnical disquisitions. Let us confess, however, that the present publication defends Dr. Kennicott, in a great measure, from their attack, though it is written with a degree of spleen which does not serve to recommend it.

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The French pamphlet here mentioned contains a bloody attack upon Dr. Kennicott, upon his abilities as an Hebræan, upon the manuscripts he has consulted, upon his conduct in the collation of them, and upon his projected edition of the bible. We pretend not to decide in this controversy; but we must observe, that the charge is heavy, and ably supported, and deserved a more ample and satisfactory refutation.

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695. Confusion worse confounded. *Vide* articles, 255, 532.
Table-talk

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696. The Beauties of the Magazines. *Vide* article, 89.

A collection of papers worth preserving, which, in our opinion, forms a very agreeable miscellany.

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697. Critical account of the situation and destruction by the first Eruption of Mount Vesuvius, of Herculaneum, Pompeii, and Stabia, &c. *Vide* article, 353.

From the stale appearance of the paper and print, we are inclined to suspect that this translation was published much earlier than the year 1771. The name, however, of the learned and lamented Abbè Winckelman will sufficiently recommend it to the curious.

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698. Ten Minutes Advice, &c. *Vide* article, 611.

Intended to guard the horse-purchaser from falling into the snares which are commonly laid by dealers, &c. This little tract may serve as a proper supplement to Thomson's excellent Rules for bad Horsemen.

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699. Bos's Antiquities of Greece. *Vide* articles 403, 521.

Seemingly executed with fidelity and care. Monthly Review.

700. A new present for a Servant Maid. Containing rules for her moral conduct, both with respect to herself and her superiors. The whole art of cookery, pickling, preserving, &c. with marketing tables, and tables for casting up expences, &c. By Mrs. Haywood. 12mo. 2s. bound. 1771. Pearch, &c.

The present for a servant-maid has been published, as a twelve-penny pamphlet, above twenty years; and was esteemed, by your good house-wives, as a well-designed and valuable tract. The additions now made, relative to cookery and other domestic concerns, must render the work still more valuable.

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701. Memoirs of Edmund Ludlow. With a collection of original papers, and the case of King Charles the First. 4to. 1l. 1s. 1771. Becket, &c.

This edition is handsomely printed, and is prefaced by a short account of General Ludlow's life. To the memoirs and original papers is added, by way of appendix, the tract mentioned in the title-page; which was drawn up by Cook, the solicitor for the high court of justice, and was intended to have been delivered at the bar, if the King had pleaded to the charge, and put himself upon a fair trial. In this tract the reader may see on what principles those men acted who passed sentence on King Charles I. it being then published as a justification of their conduct in that particular.

Monthly Review.

702. Jones's Dissertations on Life and Death. *Vide* articles, 374, 516.

These dissertations present us with some plain, pious, and practical reflections on the subjects specified in the title, attended with a few remarks which point out the author to be sincerely desirous of serving the cause of religion and virtue. In speaking of the intermediate state, Mr. Jones declares himself totally against the opinion of

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of the sleep of the soul, apprehending the tenor and spirit of scripture, to be against the supposition. Monthly Review.

703. Two Sermons. By the Rev. John Wheldon, A. M. of St. Ive's, Huntingdonshire. 8vo. 6d. Beecroft.

From the text "If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee, &c." Mr. Wheldon, in the first of these sermons, endeavours to shew the criminality of indulging an improper curiosity in matters of religion; and, in the second, he endeavours to give a satisfactory exposition of John xxi. 25. There is nothing new in Mr. Wheldon's explanation; he, in general, agreeing with Doddridge, that the meaning is, that the books would be too bulky for the world, i. e. the men of the world, to receive, or take in.

704. A Letter to Dr. Hallifax, &c. *Vide* article, 396.

Dr. Hallifax has here met with a sharp and spirited antagonist, who hath obtained an entire victory over him. If we have discerned any fault in this performance, it is the asperity with which it is written. Dr. Hallifax deserved a severe correction, but we think this rather too severe. Monthly Review.

705. The Scripture the only test, as well as the only rule of Christian Faith, maintained in a letter to the Rev. Dr. Tucker, Dean of Gloucester. 8vo. 1s. White.

Without entering into a very nice and critical discussion of Dr. Tucker's apology for the Church of England, this author supports his general proposition of the sufficiency of scripture as a test, as well as rule of faith, with good sense and moderation.

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706. Farmer's Examination of Le Moine's Treatise on Miracles. *Vide* article, 104.

Mr. Farmer here thoroughly exculpates himself from the charge of copying Le Moine, by entering into a particular examination of that treatise, and shewing how much it differs from, and is contrary to his own. Monthly Review.

707. A brief enquiry into the state of Death, as touching the certainty thereof; and whether we shall exist in a material or immaterial substance; and whether the scripture doctrine of a future state be supported by the light of reason. 8vo. 6d. Manchester, printed for the author.

A very whimsical performance, on a very serious and interesting subject. Monthly Review.

708. An exhortatory Address to all who frequent Places of Diversion, &c. *Vide* articles, 434, 515.

Piety preaching to pleasure.

Monthly Review.

We sincerely believe that the author of this pamphlet meant well; but we must, at the same time, hint to him, that meaning well

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writing well are two very distinct things. Town & C. Mag.

709. The third Volume of the Messiah, attempted from the German of Mr. Klopstock, 12mo. 3s. bound. Doddsley.

Notwithstanding the great reputation which the original of this work has obtained abroad, such motley compositions, in our opinion, neither do honour to the christian religion, nor to the judgment of those who admire them. Monthly Review.

710. Extract of the Rev. Mr. John Wesley's Journal, from May 27, 1765, to May, 1768. 8vo. 10d. 1771. Oliver.

Mr. Wesley, we suppose publishes these his pious itineraries, for the edification of his friends and followers; and much good may their entertainment do them! This course is marked No. XIV. Monthly Review.

711. A vindication of Mr. Wesley's last minutes. *Vide article, 341.*

We learn from this publication, that there has been a great stir about these minutes among the methodists; what they are, we cannot say, having never seen them. Monthly Review.

712. Five Letters to the Rev. Mr. F-----r. *Vide article, 342.*

These letters appear to have been written by Richard H--ll, Esq; of Hawkstone, near Whitchurch in Shropshire, author of Pietas Oxoniensis; a zealous Whitfieldian, but a man of parts. His opponent, Mr. F----r of Madely, near the same place, is also a man of more learning and ability than one might expect to meet with among the generality of methodist preachers.

Monthly Review.

713. A second check to Antinomianism. *Vide article, 87.*

Mr. Wesley is certainly much obliged to Mr. F-----r, for his sober, decent and seasonable defence against the sharp attacks of Messrs. Shirley, Hill, &c. The Wesleys, however, seem to be hard pushed, and Calvin certainly gains ground. Mean time the enemies of christianity triumph and exclaim---Tantæne animis cælestibus iræ! Monthly Review.

714. A Letter to a Bishop. *Vide article, 579.*

This very sensible writer points out a middle course between the two contending parties. Critical Review.

715. Paradise regained. *Vide article, 558.*

This writer, in order to prove the doctrine of the Millenium, has thrown together a vast collection of scriptural texts, from the old and new testament, many of which relate to the restoration of the Jews from the Babylonian captivity. But he takes no notice of that event. Critical Review.

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716. An Essay on the human soul. *Vide* article, 270.

The author of this essay has given us a slight sketch of the soul. He appears to have a lively, and in some instances a warm imagination. Some of his observations on instinct, memory, recollection, reason and other topics, seem to be new, and not unworthy of an ingenious metaphysician. Critical Review.

717. Letters on the Subject of subscription. *Vide* articles, 225, 296. *Sensible, but in point of language not very accurate.* Critical Review.

718. King's Rites of the Greek Church. *Vide* articles, 235, 281.

Impartial, learned, and judicious. The author has certainly thrown a light on ecclesiastical history; he has illustrated some facts which were before imperfectly known, and frequently corrected the misrepresentations of preceeding writers. Critical Review.
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719. An Appeal to Common Sense. *Vide* article, 380.

Ingenious, clear and instructive. Critical Review.

720. Whitelocke's Journal. *Vide* article, 373.

This work, as far as it extends, may be considered as the most copious fund of minute incidents that we meet with in biographical writings. It must be observed at the same time, that they are generally of an unimportant nature, and such as in the life-time of the author, would have proved very little interesting to the public. However, they at present possess the merit of casting in many places new light on the genius and some particular characters of those times.

Critical Review.

Anecdote, which is now the reigning passion of the generality of readers, renders this at once an entertaining and instructive work.

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721. Nelme's Investigation of Language and Letters. *Vide* article, 429.

This learned Etymologist may be compared to a laborious naturalist, who in order to discover the source of a river, is not satisfied with tracing it upwards to its fountain, but attempts to pursue it through its interior channels, to investigate and analyse all its drops and particles, before they form themselves into a rill. The discoveries which he now communicates to the public; are the fruits of thirty years contemplation, and we persuade ourselves they will be found useful. Critical Review.

722. An Essay towards a rational system of Musick. By John Holden. 4to. 7s. 6d. sewed. Baldwin.

This author has taken great pains in arranging and methodizing his subject, in order to make it clear and familiar to young students and persons of moderate literary attainments. He offers his labours to the public with that modesty and diffidence,

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which give him a just claim to their patronage. That nothing might be wanting to render this essay complete, he has subjoined a treatise on the theory of music, in which his abilities are as conspicuous as in the preceding part of his work. Critical Review.

723. Proposals for an Amendment of School instruction. *Vide* article, 421.

This is a well-written treatise, and, whatever objections may be raised against the author's plan in general, contains many sensible and useful remarks. Critical Review.

724. Miscellany of Eastern Learning. *Vide* articles, 430, 541. *The stories which compose this miscellany, may be justly characterised in Martial's words,*

Sunt bona, sunt quædam mediocra, sunt mala plura.

Critical Review.

Our readers may promise themselves no contemptible fund of entertainment from this work, but we must beg leave to recommend the original French to such of them as are masters of that language, the style having lost considerably of its elegance, in the translation.

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725. The African Trade, &c. consistent with Humanity. *Vide* article, 577.

We are so firmly established in the opinion of the universal right of mankind to liberty, that we cannot admit the force of any of the arguments urged by this writer. Critical Review.

726. Five Letters on important subjects. *Vide* article, 402.

Written in general with decency, and discovering a great degree of benevolence. Critical Review.

727. Clark's observations on the shoeing of Horses. *Vide* article, 485.

Containing much information on the subject. Critical Review.

728. Memoirs of an Hermaphrodite. *Vide* articles, 383, 493.

The production, in all probability, of indigence and personal resentment. Critical Review.

729. The Birmingham counterfeit, or invisible spy. A sentimental romance. 2 vols. 12mo. 548 pages. 6s. bound. Bladon.

The subject of these volumes is the adventures of a Birmingham Shilling, which has given the author an opportunity of introducing a variety of characters which are naturally drawn, finely marked and well supported. The language is good and the subjects really interesting. The moral conveys a good receipt for the detection of counterfeits, which cannot fail to be of service to the reader. The critical reviewers are pleased to ridicule the work on its not being sentimental agreeable to the title-page. It is

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not indeed written in the manner of Sterne's sentimental journey, but will be found to be sufficiently instructive.

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730. An Essay on Satirical entertainments. To which is added, Stevens's new Lecture on Heads, now delivering at the Theatre-Royal, Hay-market. With critical observations. 8vo. 87 pages. 1s. 6d. Bell.

The Lecture upon Heads, which is a strange farrago of levity and dulness, quaintness and sound reasoning, just caricature and monstrous exaggeration; fluency of expression and costiveness of imagination, humour and insipidity, satire on the world, and satire on the lecturer, plagiarism and originality, has, by catching the public whim, through some merit in the delivery, gained much applause and put many hundreds in Mr. Stevens's pocket; how far the essayist who has taken down a work, of which great part was never printed, and commented upon the same, is blameable, though much so in our view, we shall not say; but as a critic we think him candid, judicious, pointed, perspicuous and accurate; his stile and observations in our idea, deserve much praise, and give a very clear and just elucidation of the celebrated Lecture.

731. The voyages and adventures of the Chevalier Dupont. Translated from the French. 4 vols. 12mo. 1044 pages. 12s. bound. Jones.

The voyages of the hero of these volumes are confined to the West-India Islands, and some places in the South Seas, of which in the course of his adventure we have some little account; by which means the author has rendered this work more instructive than the generality of novels; for it carries the face of a novel almost throughout the whole.

732. The frequency of capital punishments inconsistent with justice, sound policy and religion, being the substance of a sermon. By William Dodd, L. L. D. Chaplain to the King. 12mo. 20 pages. 6d. Dilly, &c.

We are told, by an advertisement prefixed to this sermon, that it was written with an intention to be preached at the Chapel-royal, but was omitted on account of the absence of the court, during the author's month of waiting. The text is Exodus xx. 13. The subject a popular one, and if properly handled, and preached where it was designed, might have been productive of some good; but the sermon before us is dry and very superficial, containing little more than one or two ill digested arguments borrowed from other writers. To this sermon are added four extracts from the empress of Russia's code of laws, relative to the impropriety of capital punishments.

733. The

733. *The Prisoner Released, a Sermon on Matthew xxv. 36*; preached in Charlotte-Street, and Bedford Chapels, and published by particular request, for the benefit of unfortunate Persons confined for small debts. By William Dodd, L. L. D. Preacher at the above Chapels, and Chaplain to the King. 8vo. 19 pages and 8 of Introduction. 1s. Dilly, &c.

This is another sermon on a popular subject, in which the distresses of the unfortunate prisoner is pathetically set forth; to this sermon is added an account of the money collected, which was £81. and the manner in which it was disposed of, the profits arising from the sale of this pamphlet are to be appointed to the same purposes. Notwithstanding the cause in which Dr. Dodd has been here twice engaged, is highly praise-worthy, we cannot help smiling at the arrogance of the man, in claiming any merit to himself: both these steps were pointed out to him, to encrease his popularity, and he has the presumption to say, he writes from the fulness of his heart. If Dr. Dodd's principles were not universally known, this piece of artful hypocrisy might go down; but of all the pretenders in divinity, he is the most consummate, and the most deceitful; little else than an affected, boasting, ostentatious quack, pushing at every thing and gaining nothing, priding himself in virtues he no way possesses, and arrogating to himself merit he is in no sort entitled to. The world is now too keen-sighted, not to distinguish impudence from modesty; and that man who takes pains to blazon forth his own tinselled actions, is certain to draw upon his head the contempt and derision he studies to avoid. In short, let him say what he will, he can be no persuasive advocate for any thing, his tongue being a traitor to his heart.

734. *Conjugal Love: an Elegy.* Small 4to. 12 pages. 6d. Cambridge printed. Davies.

A few stanzas, not unworthy of the muse, though most of the thoughts are borrowed from Gray, &c.

735. *The execution of Sir Charles Bawdin, dedicated to her Grace, the Dutchess of Northumberland.* 4to. 26 pages. 2s. 6d. Goldsmith.

This little piece is ascribed to the pen of Thomas Rowlie, a priest in the 15th century, and is supposed to have been written some time after Sir Charles's execution, which happened in Bristol, in 1461, when Edward the fourth and the Duke of Gloucester, (afterwards Richard III.) were in that city. However, be the date of it what it will, it has poetical merit, and contains some noble thoughts on greatness of mind and the fearlessness of death. It is printed in the old orthography.

736. *The Danger and Immodesty of the present too general Custom of unnecessarily employing Men-midwives. Being the* Letters

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Letters which lately appeared under the signature of a Man-mid-wife, with an introduction, a treatise on the milk, and an appendix. With corrections, by the author. 8vo. 65 pages. 1s. 6d. Wilkie.

This pamphlet consists of three spirited, well-written letters, which appeared in the Gazetteer (the first on the 28th of March last) on the shameless custom of employing men-midwives, to which he attributes the reigning crime of adultery. The introduction sets forth the dangers attending the backening of the milk, the first four or five weeks after delivery; and the appendix, the dangers of hastening the birth. To this is added, a list of some women-midwives in town, though not of the most experienced, and their places of residence. There being a total omission of many women in practice of superior abilities, and approved eminence in the profession, it gives the list an appearance of partiality or ignorance in the collection. It is evidently the production of a medical man.

737. The Senators ; or a candid examination into the merits of the principal performers of St. Stephen's Chapel. 4to, 36 pages. 2s. 6d. Kearsly.

This is one of the best pieces published since the death of Churchill; 'tis in his manner, and very little inferior to most of his works: if it possessed a degree more of fire, we would not scruple to pronounce it equal. But it has fire enough to please. 'Tis true, we could point out here and there an exceptionable line, so we can in Churchill's works. But an occasional blot, like a patch upon a lady's face, serves to heighten the parts about it.

738. Real Scriptural Predestination, asserted and defended against the false accounts of it, by the Rev. Mr. Madan, in his Scriptural Comment on the 39 Articles. With a prefatory address on account of his illiberal attack on Dr. Samuel Clarke's character, by a letter in the preface to his comment. By a friend to the Petitioning Clergy. 8vo. 49 pages. 1s. Wilkie.

One would imagine that what this author condemns in another, he would not fall into himself. He censures Mr. Madan for being illiberal, and is equally so himself. This being a very intemperate reply to so much of Mr. Madan's comment as relates to predestination and election. No one can understand this pamphlet without the comment referred to, and his bible in his hand, the author referring the reader only to certain passages without quoting them, and giving a number of scriptural texts, without inserting the words.

739. A Tour to London ; or new observations on England and its Inhabitants. By M. Grosley, F. R. S. Member of the Royal Academies of Inscriptions and Belles Lettres, Translated

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lated from the French, by Thomas Nugent, L.L. D. F. A. S.
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781. Elements of painting with Crayons. By John Russell. Royal 4to. 46 pages, 5s. Wilkie.

Mr. Russell is a portrait painter, and was bred up under Mr. Francis Cotes. He appears to be an ingenious man, and a man of understanding. He has written this work for the use of those who are just entering into the world of imitation, for which purpose he has exhibited the materials used in the art of painting with crayons, and the methods of making and preparing them for the execution of design.

782. Practical Essays upon Intermitting Fevers, Dropxies, Diseases of the Liver, Epilepsy, Cholick, Dysenteric Fluxes, and the operation of Calomel. By Daniel Lysons, M. D. Bath printed. Hazard.

The author recommends in his treatise upon intermitting fevers a composition of rattlesnake root and the bark, as a most efficacious febrifuge, and seems inclined to attribute the principal effects to the former, we conceive however that his conclusion in this particular is too hasty, and that the good effects of the bark are too well ascertained in this disorder to be disputed by a medicine, whose operation is at best but uncertain, the Doctor acknowledging he has never exhibited it alone.

The great encomiums he bestows upon calomel in the cure of the dropsey, epilepsy, dysentery, &c. are worthy the consideration of the faculty; we imagine, however, that the operation of this medicine is by much too violent in habits weakened by these diseases, whatever their efficacy may be in the opposite temperaments; and are led to think that calomel is the author's favourite medicine, or else he

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783. Considerations on Criminal Law. *Vide* articles, 379, 546.

The author of this performance has been prompted by his humanity to utter his complaints on the severity of our penal laws, and has suggested regulations which may be enforced with advantage, and that with a spirit of philosophy and enlargement that does him honour. Monthly Review.

784. A Discourse delivered to the Students of the Royal Academy. *Vide* articles, 440, 560.

This masterly discourse is chiefly employed in describing and comparing the distinguishing merits of the great artists of the Roman and the Venetian Schools. It is replete with useful and ingenious enquiries, and shews that the author has happily united to the improved taste of an artist, the enlargement of mind, and the penetration of a philosopher. Monthly Review.

In this elegant discourse, which is the fourth Sir Joshua Reynolds has presented to the public, that celebrated artist draws a parrallel between the productions of the Roman and Venetian school of painters; cautions the pupils of the royal academy against the seducing qualities of the latter, who were engrossed so entirely by the study of colours, that they neglected the ideal beauty of form and propriety of expression; and shews there are two distinct styles in history painting, viz. the grand, and the splendid or ornamental; the first of which is peculiar to the Roman, and the other to the Venetian school. Ledger.

785. Conjectural observations on the origin of writing. *Vide* articles, 128, 156.

An ingenious undertaking; the design laudable, and the execution not without considerable merit. Monthly Review.

786. Priestley's Institutes of Natural and revealed Religion. *Vide* article, 585.

Tho' it is evident from the writings of this author, that he is very far from embracing the religious sentiments of the Puritans, in regard to doctrine, yet he appears desirous of uniting somewhat of their zeal, their manners and discipline, with more rational and more liberal opinions. His industry and application are very suitable to his station and character, and highly commendable, as the present publication particularly discovers. The institutes of religion, part of which are here made public, are inserted as a kind of text or hints for ministers to enlarge upon in instructing their congregation. Monthly Review.

787. Hanway's observations on the causes of Dissoluteness among the poor. *Vide* article, 415.

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Mr. Hanway in the present publication, as in all his former writings, appears like a pious and benevolent man, who has the interest of his fellow creatures at heart. He writes like a man of good sense, public spirit, and humanity, and we recommend his observations to all ranks and degrees of people.

Monthly Review.

The first of these letters relates to the Marine Society, the encouragement of which Mr. Hanway strenuously recommends. The second comprises a plan for the improvement of Bridewell, where he wishes to have the criminals separately confined. The third regards the increase and morals of the populace, and contains several hints for their emolument, which deserves the attention of every friend to society.

Ledger.

788. Poems, consisting chiefly of translations from the Asiatic languages. *Vide* articles, 586, 674.

The ingenious Mr. Jones, the author of this work, asserts the authenticity of the originals, but tho' he has adopted the materials of the greater part of the present collection from the writers of Asia, yet the arrangement and conduct of the poems are generally his own; and he has added a lustre to the whole, by the charms of a flowing and harmonious versification. The essays annexed to the poems are full of ingenious and useful remarks.

Monthly Review.

This performance discovers the true spirit of poetry and does honour to the genius of the Asiatics. The two essays are written with uncommon taste, and display an extensive erudition, and shew that the author is not afraid to think for himself, and to depart from received opinions.

Universal Mag.

789. The Works of William Browne. *Vide* article, 321.

The compositions of this poet deserve to be recovered from that obscurity into which they had fallen. If he has many of the faults, he has some of the beauties of the writers of his age. There is an amiable simplicity in most of his pieces, and he knew how to move the heart by strokes of genuine nature and passion. It must be acknowledged, at the same time, that his writings abound with point and conceit, and those frivolous and disgusting ornaments, which are the sure indications of a vitiated taste: His imagination was fertile, and his mind vigorous, but his judgment was corrupted by those Italian models, which the fashion of his day taught him to imitate. His descriptions, tho' picturesque, have an air of extravagance; his conceptions, tho' strong, have marks of deformity, and his language never flows in a strain of continued purity. He could not plan with precision and delicacy, and was unable to join correctness with spirit.

Monthly Review.

This poet deserves to be classed with Drayton, Massinger and Waller, and yet no edition of his works, till the one before us, has been given since the usurpation of Oliver Cromwell. His pieces recommend themselves by a beautiful enthusiasm and by a degree of harmony

harmony, which was not always characteristic of the poets of his age.
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790. Remarks on Dr. Price's observations on reverſionary payments, &c. *Vide* article, 277.

After ſome preliminary compliments and looſe obſervations of no great importance, the author of theſe remarks, which are offered with reſpect and decency, ſtarts an objection to the practicability of the ſcheme propoſed by Dr. P. for ſinking the national debt. Indeed what the remarker has ſaid, may be true or false, but it cannot affect Dr. P's general poſition.

Monthly Review.

This letter ſeems as if written with a view to expoſe the abſurdity of Dr. Price's ſchemes, by introducing others more abſurd than thoſe advanced by Dr. Price himſelf.

Critical Review.

The author of this tract delivers it as his opinion, that annuities will not prevent the increaſe of the national debt, and that the ſinking fund is no way adequate to the application Dr. Price propoſes making of it. Upon the whole, here are many curious and juſt obſervations that deſerve the attention of thoſe readers who are deſirous of being maſters of the ſubject.

Town & C. Mag.

791. The Challenge. *Vide* article, 407.

We neither adopt the principles of this author, nor approve his reaſoning, and we apprehend that Dr. Price is in law and honour, freed from all obligation of accepting this challenge, ſince his adverſary is a felo de ſe.

Monthly Review.

An unentertaining performance, that juſtly deſerves to be entirely forgotten.

Critical Review.

792. An enquiry into the practice and legality of preſſing, by the King's Commiſſion: founded on a conſideration in uſe to ſupply the fleets and armies of England. From the earlieſt period of the Engliſh laws and hiſtory, to the preſent time. 8vo 1s. 6d. Almon.

This performance is replete with good ſenſe and curious reſearches, and it is worthy the peruſal of every Engliſhman. We learn from it that preſſing was originally exerciſed againſt men obnoxious to the laws, but this by no means proves a right in the crown to preſs, as it does at preſent.

Monthly Review.

The author of this pamphlet has endeavoured, not without ability, to ſhew that preſſing by the king's warrant is illegal, and that the arguments uſed in favour of it are founded upon miſrepresentation and miſtake.

Lond. Magazine.

793. A Plan for the Abolition of Slavery in the Weſt-Indies. 4to. 2s. 6d. Griffin.

This writer diſplays a warm zeal for humanity and natural juſtice, but his views are viſionary and romantic. His idea is, that nations of different complexions might be brought to unite,

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and that many advantages would result from the connection, and the intermarriages of blacks with whites. Monthly Review.

The substance of the plan here proposed, which was drawn up soon after the conclusion of the late peace, but not published till lately, is, that a certain number of male and female children be annually, for the period of ten or fifteen years, bought in Africa, and imported into Great Britain, where they should be educated in the charity schools or otherwise, till they arrive at the age of fourteen; that for two years longer, they be practically instructed in gardening, and agriculture, and that they learn even the rudiments of some manufactures: that at the age of sixteen, they be married and sent into some district near Pensacola, to be reserved for this purpose; that lands be granted them, and that they receive, for a certain time, the assistance requisite to new settlers. From this measure, the author is of opinion, such a number of negroes would soon be generated, as spreading over the continent of America and the West India Islands, would be sufficient for executing voluntarily all the work of the planters, and may be productive of many commercial advantages to Great Britain. Critical Review.

A scheme, which we apprehend will meet with little encouragement from the commercial world. Ledger.

794. *Britannia Libera.* Vide article, 754.

The spirit of liberty which this publication displays, deserves the highest commendation; but its author appears to have more learning than judgment. He has well stored his memory with facts and observations; but we are mistaken if he is not yet to learn, how to employ them with the greatest advantage.

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795. *Letters to and from the East-India Company's Servants.* Vide article 568.

These authentic papers are a proper supplement to Mr. Bolt's very material publication, and, being printed in the same size, may be bound up with it. Monthly Review.

796. *A Letter to Lord North, on the India-Bill.* Vide article, 757.

There are strictures and remarks in this performance, which deserve the consideration of the noble person to whom they are addressed. The institution, in particular, of a resident minister at Calcutta, here suggested, seems a very necessary addition to the regulation proposed for the re-establishment of order and for the grandeur of Bengal and its provinces. Monthly Review.

797. *Ewing's Synopsis of practical mathematics.* Vide articles, 435, 552.

A judicious collection of rules and examples belonging to the subjects specified in the title-page, and useful to those who need the practice,

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practice, but who have not time or inclination to acquaint themselves with the theory of mathematics. Monthly Review.

793. The Atlantic Pilot. 8s. Printed for the Author. Leacroft.

This little treatise, with the three charts which accompany it, is very properly intituled the Atlantic Pilot, and cannot fail to be of use to those who traverse the Western ocean; that part of it especially which lies towards the New Bahama Channel, and the mouth of the Gulph of Mexico, opposite the Island of Cuba, on the Martiere rocky reefs and sand-banks, where the navigation is particularly dangerous. The author, (Mr. Gerard de Brahm, his Majesty's surveyor-general of the Southern district of North-America) received orders in 1764, for making discoveries with regard to those seas, and he seems to have executed his commission with great fidelity, accuracy and diligence. The charts are, 1. The ancient Tegesta, now called the promontory of East-Florida. 2. The South-end of East-Florida and Martiers. 3. An Hydrographical map of the Atlantic ocean, shewing the different variations of the compass, the setting and changes of the currents, &c. Annexed is a table of loxodromy and observations from which the last of these maps is laid down; together with another table, shewing the several variations of the compass from 81° W. long. from London, and 26° 50' N. lat. to 12° 30' N. long. and 49° 40' lat.

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This useful work is particularly calculated for the service of those seamen who traverse the coasts of Cuba, Mexico, and the Bahamas.

Ledger.

799. Alonzo. Vide articles, 562, 672.

An indifferent versification of an unaffecting story taken from Gil Blas; with some variations. Simplicity is become the bon ton in poetry; and here we have simplicity simplified

Monthly Review.

800. Two Odes. Vide articles, 590, 673.

One or two pieces having, within a few years past, appeared in praise of indifference, the author of these odes, in disdain of so inert and useless a principle, has attacked it both seriously and ludicrously, and not without success, as a member of society and as a son of the muses.

Monthly Review.

801. Original Poems on various subjects. Vide article, 671.

With every allowance for the juvenility and all our partiality for the sex of the writer, we cannot think them of importance enough to merit our censure.

Monthly Review.

802. Conjugal Love. Vide article, 734.

Were there, in this little encomium on domestic happiness, less merit than it really contains, we might still, perhaps, find ourselves biassed in its favour, from the opinion we conceive of the writer's
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worthy and amiable disposition. There is however a stiffness in these verses and a want of originality in point of sentiment, which will not permit us to rank them with the works of our best poets.

Monthly Review.

803. The Senators. *Vide* article, 737.

Virulent abuse, in wretched rhimes, poured out on some of the most distinguished persons in the present house of commons; with exceptions in favour of a few leading men in the opposition.

Monthly Review.

If the effusions of prejudice or malevolence could claim any title to the favour of the candid, this poem might not be ranked among those fugitive productions, which by the laws of criticism must be consigned to perpetual oblivion. With all the energy of varied invective, which the author has endeavoured to infuse into his satire, he has not been able to support it from sinking either into an insipidity of sarcasm or a dull uniformity of expression. Critical Review.

This poem depicts in striking colours the portraits of the most celebrated orators in the senate. The poet seems personally well-acquainted with his characters, among whom we find Lord North, Lord Barrington, Lord Clare, Lord George Germaine, Sir Fletcher Norton, Sir Jos. Mawbey, Sir Geo. Cornwall, Col. Barré, Mr. Onslow, Serj. Glynn, Messrs Wedderburne, Dunning, Thurloe, Dowdeswell, Rigby, Dyson, Jenkinson, Fox, Townshend, Sawbridge, Phipps and Burke.

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A second edition of this work has appeared with some additional Characters.

804. Essays on Song-Writing. *Vide* articles, 278, 345, 554.

We have perused these essays with singular pleasure. The author has treated the subject of song-writing like a true critic and a man of taste: he thinks justly and writes elegantly. The pieces he has selected does him honour, and the original ones added to this collection, are in no respect unworthy the good company into which they are introduced.

Monthly Review.

805. Wensley-Dale; or rural contemplations. A poem. 4to. 2s. 6d. Davies.

The scene of this poem lies ten miles from Richmond in Yorkshire and four from Middleham; and appears to be richly endowed with many singular beauties of nature. The author has not confined himself merely to a description of this dale, but has varied his piece with some judicious digressions, the transitions to which are easy and natural. The whole poem discovers a luxuriance of imagination and a genius for exhibiting the images of descriptive poetry. The versification is in general harmonious, and the piece is interspersed with a variety of episodes and moral sentiments. It is sold for the benefit of the Leeds infirmary.

Critical Review.

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The principal scene here is a seat in Wensley-Dale, belonging to the Duke of Bolton. The versification is remarkably harmonious.

Gent. Magazine.

Wensley-Dale possesses a variety of rural beauties, which the author of this poem has described in any easy, natural, and animated manner.

Ledger.

806. Gibbons's Christian Minister. *Vide article, 616.*

In treating of the clergyman's studies which is part of this work, Dr Gibbons recommends and characterises a great variety of theological writers, chiefly dissenters. But some of them are authors of mean abilities, whose publications no man of taste and genius would wish to read, or even admit into his library. We can say nothing in praise of his poetry or his latin compositions. Critical Review.

These epistles contain many judicious and important precepts, and glow at once with a benevolence and piety that must recommend the author to every mind that is not insensible to the endearments of friendship, and the importance of religion. The subjects, perhaps, are not the best adapted to poetry; yet, in many parts, they have been made susceptible of its beauties.

Gent. Magazine.

807. Ruffel's Fables, moral and sentimental. *Vide article, 766.*

Tho' these fables be not entirely original, yet they are related in an agreeable and ingenious manner, and may convey instruction in the form of entertainment.

Critical Review.

808. The present State of the Nation. A poem. *Vide article, 600.*

This poem is founded on the spirit of gallantry which has lately been the occasion of so many suits for divorce in Doctor's Commons. The author evidently possesses a very copious fund of versification; but it has led him into a prolixity that dissipates the beauties of the composition, which, otherwise, would have appeared to greater advantage, and proves even disgusting to the reader.

Critical Review.

809. An Hour before Marriage. A farce. *Vide articles, 589, 685.*

The disapprobation of the public respecting this performance betrays either precipitancy or prejudice. For tho' we find no laughable incidents, it is not destitute of the natural expressions of character; and the absurd behaviour of Stanley, which constitutes the principal part of the fable, is placed in such a light as to afford entertainment.

Critical Review.

We have many solid reasons for believing this piece to be the production of Mr. Coleman.

810. The indiscreet Connexion. *Vide articles, 397, 501.*

In these volumes the fair sex will meet with some of those lessons of prudence, which many of them are too apt to neglect.

Monthly Review.

There are in these volumes a strain of morality and a fund of good

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good sense, which give them a superiority over the common run of productions of this class. Universal Mag.

This performance deserves to be distinguished from the usual inundation of trash which flows from the circulating libraries. Its design is to warn persons in the inferior ranks of life against giving their daughters an education superior to their fortune; and the danger of unequal friendships and imprudent connexions with people in high life is judiciously pointed out. Lond. Magazine.

811. The Unequal Alliance. *Vide* article, 583.

This production is replete with romantic folly, and offers not one circumstance that can recommend it to attention. Monthly Review.

A story frequently met with in life and not overcharged.

Critical Review.

812. The Younger Brother. *Vide* article, 587.

Written with a degree of humour and a knowledge of life, that render them both interesting and agreeable. Monthly Review.

Superior to the generality of novels that have lately appeared. Our author does not deal in the marvellous, but succeeds in drawing a simple tale, according to the usual course of things, to prove the common received opinion that, the younger brother is the finer gentleman. Town & C. Mag.

813. The Birmingham Counterfeit. *Vide* article, 729.

A Birmingham shilling recites its travels and adventures, on the hacknied and worn-out plan on which the adventures of a guinea with a multitude of other invisible spies, have been written.

Monthly Review.

A very Brum indeed!

Town & C. Mag.

814. The Voyages, &c. of Chevalier Dupont. *Vide* article, 731.

It has been said this work contains an authentic narrative of facts; nor do we meet with any incident in these adventures which can render such an assertion improbable. Tho' it be equally void of character and interesting situations, as jejune of incidents, it is written in a style of narration sufficiently agreeable, and these defects are greatly compensated by the variety of scenes with which the reader is made acquainted: However as it seems to give a faithful account of some part of America and the West-India Islands, it may be attended with the advantage of conveying useful information to such readers as confine their attention chiefly to works of entertainment, and in this view, the author has not improperly substituted truth in the room of fiction. Critical Review.

815. The Rise and Practice of Imprisonment in personal Actions examined, &c. *Vide* article, 601.

There are here many pertinent and some acute observations; but the method proposed to relieve the hardships complained of, appears not of sufficient efficacy. Monthly Review.

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Written in a stile singularly uncouth, and in many places hardly intelligible. Lond. Magazine.

816. Buller's Introduction to Nisi-prius Law. *Vide* article, 94.
The requisites for executing this undertaking were only labour and distinctness, and these qualities have been very fully exerted.

Monthly Review.

Containing a brief and not incomplete summary of the laws and practice of the courts respecting the points of which it undertakes to treat. It may be of use to the practical lawyer. By the nature of the style and composition it seems intended for no other class of men.

Lond. Magazine.

This introduction is compiled from the manuscripts of the present Lord Chancellor; it is divided into seven parts, and treats of actions relating to injuries, affecting persons, property, contracts, criminal prosecutions, inquisitions of office, and evidence, in a more full and satisfactory manner than has hitherto appeared in any other treatise upon the subject.

Ledger.

817. Blicke, on the Yellow Fever of Jamaica. *Vide* articles, 239, 315.

Nearly a verbal transcript, with a few alterations and omissions of the tracts contained in a collection published above 20 years ago, entitled, Essays on the Bilious Fever, &c. By John Williams and Parker Bennet, Physicians in Jamaica. Monthly Review.

818. Berdoe, on the Gout. *Vide* article, 612.

This author is of opinion that the gout is not the consequence of any acrimonious humour, but of a weakness and obstruction of the abdominal viscera, occasioned by an accumulation of the fluids, which he supposes to be forcibly determined in the age of manhood to the interior parts of the body, or in his own words, to the phrenic and diaphragmatic centers. On this principle, he infers the gout to proceed from the same cause with the hypochondriac disease and the hæmorrhoids; and he endeavours to support this conclusion, by observing, that the gout and hæmorrhoids often attack the same person alternately, and that any one of these diseases is generally relieved upon the appearance of the other.

Critical Review.

This gentleman is for promoting one disorder to carry off another; he is for substituting the hæmorrhoids for the gout.

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819. Thompson, on the African Trade for Negro-Slaves. *Vide* articles, 577, 725.

This writer appears to be a sensible man, and capable of discussing the argument; but the limits to which he is confined render his performance rather superficial. Upon the whole, we must own, that this little treatise is not convincing to us, tho' as different persons are differently affected by the same considerations, it may prove

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more satisfactory to others.

Monthly Review.

The arguments made use of here, will, in our opinion, excite nothing but contempt and indignation in the mind of every friend to justice and freedom, as the most plausible of them only shew, that Mr. Thompson is willing, as Dr. Johnson says, to

Explain a country's dear-bought rights away,
And plead for pirates in the face of day.

Ledger.

820. The real Views and political System of the Regency of Denmark explained, &c. *Vide* article, 752.

In all appearance spurious.

Monthly Review.

The reader who expects, from a perusal of this pamphlet, to penetrate the real views of the Danish regency, with regard to the late extraordinary transactions, will be usefully disappointed, as it contains nothing more than what has repeatedly appeared in the public prints.

Ledger.

821. An Essay on satyrical Entertainments, &c. *Vide* article, 730.

A disputed edition of Stevens's lecture.

Monthly Review.

The critical observations on this lecture are made with candour and judgment.

Brit. Magazine.

822. Theatrical Biography. *Vide* articles, 409, 686.

These theatrical lives, tho' not of the most exemplary or moral kind, are written in a sprightly, agreeable strain; and the author seems to have been well furnished with anecdotes proper for such an undertaking: but of the authenticity of these materials, we are not altogether competent judges.

Monthly Review.

823. A Treatise on Scating; founded on certain principles deduced from many years experience: by which that noble exercise is now reduced to an art and may be taught and learned by a regular method, with ease and safety. The whole illustrated with copper-plates, representing the attitudes and graces. *Vide* article, 347.

As far as we can pretend to judge, the author appears to be sufficiently master of the art which he undertakes to teach.

Monthly Review.

824. A modest Defence of the Charity-Children, &c. *Vide* articles, 416, 534.

The production of a very indifferent writer.

Monthly Review.

825. Calendars of the ancient Charters, &c. *Vide* article, 741.

The great utility of such a work renders any encomiums unnecessary. We shall therefore only observe that the calendars appear to be executed with great accuracy, and contain such a collection of rolls, records, &c. as tend to throw great light on the domestic transactions of these kingdoms.

Critical Review.

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826. Chambers, on oriental Gardening. *Vide* article, 751.

The design of this treatise is to connect the extravagance of the two opposite tastes in gardening; the one of which is actuated by an over-scrupulous adherence to nature, and the other becomes ridiculous by a total deviation from it. It appears from the author's agreeable representation of the oriental modes of improvement, that those styles of gardening, tho' in Europe erroneously disjoined, are united together in China with the most happy effect; and it must be impossible to survey such beautiful scenes as are here described, without being impressed with the highest idea of Asiatic ingenuity.

Critical Review.

The author's endeavour in this performance is to give the general outline of the Chinese stile of gardening, which he says he has collected from his own observations in the Eastern part of the globe, from conversations with the artists of that quarter, and from remarks transmitted to him at different times by travellers.

Ledger.

827. Baretti's Introduction to the European Languages. *Vide* article, 573.

Useful and convenient.

Critical Review.

828. Every Youth his own Moralist. *Vide* article, 742.

These tales are not ingenious compositions, but have a good moral tendency; and therefore may be safely put into the hands of young children, for whom alone they are calculated.

Critical Review.

829. The Beauties of the Magazines. *Vide* articles, 89, 696.

The pieces here contained are, we believe, as good as the works from which they have been selected, would afford, and have, as is generally the case with miscellaneous collections, very different degrees of merit. However, a few hours may be employed not unpleasantly nor unprofitably in the perusal of these little volumes.

Critical Review.

830. Considerations on the Causes of the present Stagnation of Matrimony. *Vide* article, 762.

The subject of this pamphlet is treated in an argumentative and lively manner; and the author inveighs with equal warmth and justice against the several causes which operate in prevention of marriage.

Critical Review.

The avowed aim of this writer is rather to admonish than instruct, which he does very much to the purpose. Brit. Magazine.

831. The Danger and Immodesty of the present too general Custom of unnecessarily employing Men-Midwives. *Vide* article, 736.

The arguments advanced by this author, respecting the danger of employing men-midwives, we consider as merely imaginary and

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founded upon allegations, which have no establishment in truth: and from the injurious suggestions here insinuated, as well as from the list of midwives subjoined to this pamphlet, it appears to us, that the whole is an interested attempt to divert the obstetrical practice from the channel in which it now flows. *Critical Review.*

Ill-written, full of verbose declamation, barbarous phrases and false grammar. His abuses appear to be exaggerated and his views interested. *Gent. Magazine.*

832. Benezet's historical Account of Guinea. *Vide article, 576.*

This treatise affords an extensive information in respect to the slavery of the Negroes. He is of opinion that if the slave-trade were entirely abolished, the white people would be found capable of bearing reasonable labour in the West-Indies, and that we should then enjoy a more advantageous commerce with the Africans. According to his calculation, 100,000 Negroes are annually purchased and brought on board our ships from the coast of Africa, 10,000 of whom die with distempers in their voyage to America.

Critical Review.

Mr. Benezet, in a very humane manner, endeavours to shew the iniquity of the slave-trade, by which, as he observes, so many thousands of our fellow creatures, free by nature, endued with the same rational faculties, and called to be heirs of the same salvation with us, lose their lives, and are, truly and properly speaking, murdered every year! For it is not necessary, in order to convict a man of murder, to make it appear that he had an intention to commit murder; whoever does, by unjust force or violence, deprive another of his liberty, and, while he hath him in his power, continues so to oppress him by cruel treatment, as eventually to occasion his death, is actually guilty of murder. *Ledger.*

833. Psalmorum aliquot Davidis, &c. *Vide article, 337.*

Mr. Okely is desirous of reviving the regard due to Serranus's Greek poems, and is particularly solicitous that they might be employed to assist youth in attaining a knowledge of the Greek tongue, by which means he apprehends the farther purpose might be answered, of impressing upon their minds, at the same time, some proper sentiments of piety. With this view, he has given the Greek version on one page, and a Latin translation on the other, with some remarks and directions relative to the verse and metre.

Monthly Review.

834. A Letter to a Bishop. *Vide articles, 579, 714.*

This pamphlet merits particular attention, as it seems designed to promote the execution of a new plan, which we are informed, is actually in agitation among the bishops themselves, for introducing a certain degree of reformation in the church of England.

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835. A Letter to Dr. Randolph. *Vide* article, 594.
A clear and judicious confutation of Dr. Randolph's charge to the clergy of the diocese of Oxford. The production of Dr. Carter of Deal. Monthly Review.
836. A Collection of Papers, &c. on Subscription, &c. *Vide* article, 615.
These papers, which are well-written, afford a striking proof how much it is in the power of ingenious men to alledge something plausible in favour even of a bad cause. Monthly Review.
837. The Nature and Necessity of a new Creature in Christ, &c. *Vide* articles, 254, 340.
This will probably find many purchasers among the methodists. Monthly Review.
838. A Commentary, &c. on the Liturgy, &c. *Vide* article, 608.
The design of this commentary is to assist the plain, well-meaning christian in this religious exercise. And it is, indeed, very properly calculated for that purpose. The author is a strenuous advocate for the doctrines of the church, is perfectly free from bigotry and enthusiasm, and writes in a clear and manly style. Critical Review.
839. A Discourse upon Religion. *Vide* articles, 244, 441.
In this performance there are many sentiments which have an air of singularity; and which seem to have floated at random in the author's mind. There are likewise many speculations which could not in any degree concern the present or future happiness of his children. There are traces of good sense in many parts of his discourse, yet as he frequently employs himself in superficial conjectures and disquisitions of no importance; we will venture to say, that his four hundred pages will exercise the patience of half his readers. Critical Review.
840. A second check to Antinomianism. *Vide* articles, 87, 713.
Tho' this is not an elegant performance, it contains a very just refutation of the principles of antinomianism. Critical Review.
841. Spooner's Sermons. *Vide* article, 447.
In this volume, the author has displayed his learning, his industry and his piety. But his theological notions are not altogether such as we would choose to adopt. He divides and sub-divides his discourses into many insignificant branches, like some of the trifling and formal divines in Oliver's days. His sermons are indeed most methodically and elaborately dull. Critical Review.
842. Hallifax's three Sermons. *Vide* articles, 227, 507.
These discourses consist chiefly of general animadversions on heretics and infidels, on those who calumniate our national religion; those

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those who are not satisfied with our ecclesiastical establishment; those who impugn the doctrine of the trinity; those who dislike the notion of a propitiatory sacrifice; those who assail the doctrine of our saviour's intercession, and those who question the existence of the devil. They are upon the whole, more declamation than argument.

Critical Review.

843. A Letter to Dr. Hallifax. *Vide* articles, 396, 704

The learned author of this letter has effectually demolished Dr. Hallifax's three discourses. The most valuable part of this letter is the examination of the professor's arguments in favour of the doctrine of the trinity. Here the author shews himself an excellent critic and evidently demonstrates, that the principal texts of scripture upon which the Doctor grounds his proof, when accurately examined, are either inconclusive, or nothing to the purpose.

Critical Review.

844. The Scripture the only Test of Faith. *Vide* articles, 593, 705.

This writer thinks we are encumbered with a number of articles and creeds, which can do us no service; that we should be guided by the scriptures and not by human systems of faith and doctrine; that to require an assent to the latter is to depreciate the former. These and the like positions are very decently and dispassionately maintained in this letter.

Critical Review.

845. Two Sermons preached at the Chapel Royal, St. James's. By Beilby Porteus, D.D. 4to. 1s. Payne.

The first is excellent, on the pernicious effects of pleasure and dissipation. In the second is exposed the folly of those who prefer the darkness of infidelity, to the light of revelation.

Critical Review.

846. Bulkley's Discourses on the Parables, &c. Vol. III. and IV. 8vo. 10s. Horsfield. *Vide* articles, 134, 287.

In the two preceeding volumes Mr. Bulkley has explained and illustrated our Saviour's parables; in these he has given us a series of discourses on the miracles performed by Christ and his apostles. In the parables we have a variety of excellent instructions; in the miracles we have some of those important facts upon which christianity is established. Learned and judicious.

Critical Review.

- 847. Lectures on the Materia Medica, as delivered by William Cullen, M.D. Professor of medicine, in the university of Edinburgh: and now printed from a correct copy, which has been compared with others by the editors. 4to. 14s. boards. Lowndes.

Notwithstanding this work has been clandestinely published, we can entertain no suspicion of any fallacy in the name to which it is ascribed,

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ascribed. It contains intrinsic proof that the author is a man of genius and extensive knowledge and physick. It might however be rendered more accurate, and in some parts more unexceptionable, by undergoing his deliberate perusal, though in the mean time, this edition may be considered as a very useful performance to students in physick.

Critical Review.

We find that the Doctor and the Editors of this spurious work have suppressed the publication of it, but it is hoped that the ingenious professor will soon favour us with a perfect edition of his lecture, which cannot fail of meeting with a favourable reception from the public.

848. Marshall's Travels through Holland, &c. *Vide article, 610.*

We have met with much entertainment in the perusal of these volumes; the author seems to be a man of veracity; but we cannot help remarking, that he is often negligent in his language.

Critical Review.

Several circumstances join to render the subject of these travels interesting. The Northern parts of Europe, have been seldom visited from motives of curiosity, and the best account we have of those countries are of so old a date that they cease to be authentic. This defect Mr. Marshall's travels remedy. They contain many new and important observations, and the reader will observe with pleasure, that the author has been more anxious to retail such information as he derived from such intelligent men in the course of his tour, than to intrude upon the public his own hasty or conjectural conclusions. With respect to elegance and accuracy of style, he is on many occasions, highly deficient.

Lond. Magazine.

These travels are replete with good sense and solid information. The author has omitted no opportunities of making observations on the state of the people in the countries thro' which he passed; and he has endeavoured to investigate the causes to which their happiness or misery was properly to be ascribed. He also examines particularly into the experiments and improvements in agriculture, which he had occasion to observe; and wherever he goes, he fails not to describe the condition of manufactures and commerce.

Universal Mag.

Mr. Marshall seems to have engaged more time in pursuing his travels than in polishing his language; there are many valuable observations, and useful remarks upon the agriculture, population, manufactures, and commerce of the countries he describes; among those we cannot include Lapland, as it is scarce mentioned except in the title-page.

Town & C. Mag.

The paragraph taken from the Ledger, and inserted by the printer's mistake to article 610, alludes to article 852, and ought not to stand in the place it does. We cannot therefore but smile at the ignorance or carelessness of the reviewers of the British Magazine, who have copied this error verbatim, from the Universal Catalogue, and passed it as their own opinion of Marshall's travels,

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travels, when in fact it has no allusion to them. Indeed the authors of the British Magazine have done little else than copy our opinions, and pass them for their own. We thank them for the compliment, but they most egregiously impose upon the public. Vide article, 852.

849. Zimmerham, on National Pride. Vide article, 52.

Dr. Zimmerham (not Mr. Zimmermann, as the Critical Reviewers have many times called him) is a native of Switzerland; but writes like a citizen of the world. His performance has been received in Germany, with so much approbation, that four large impressions have been sold: the last of which is improved with several considerable additions. It has been translated into some of the chief European languages; and the French, who are easily pleased in works of this kind, have honoured it with the highest encomiums. The subject is of a delicate nature, and requires an extensive knowledge of the world, a freedom from national prejudice, and above all, a strict attention to truth and equity. In all this the author has acquitted himself with great propriety. His performance bears the stamp of truth and freedom, and abounds with judicious reflections and masterly strokes of well-directed satire. He does not appear to be actuated by any contracted or illiberal motives, by spleen or misanthropy. There is an air of pleasantry and benevolence in his descriptions. Tho' he laughs at the follies of different nations and communities, he generally pays a proper tribute of respect to their virtues.

Critical Review.

850. Warton's Life of Sir Thomas Pope. Vide article, 607.

This lively biographer, in the execution of his work, has discovered talents which seldom meet in the same writer. He has united elegance with accuracy and has strewn the path of the antiquarian with flowers. Performances of this kind are most commonly a dull detail of facts, merely calculated for information: the present compilation is a work of taste and genius.

Critical Review.

Town & C. Mag.

Sir Thomas Pope was born in 1508, and died in 1559. He is a conspicuous instance of a person, not bred to the church, who, tho' of an obscure family and inconsiderable fortune, raised himself to opulence and honourable employments in the reign of Henry VIII. The work before us is wrote with elegance and judgment, and contains many curious and valuable anecdotes of the times in which he lived.

Lond. Magazine.

This life is full of minute researches, and, as the dryness of personal incidents might disgust or fatigue the reader, the author has introduced historical digressions into his performance, which seems, upon the whole, as entertaining as the nature of it would permit; and his style, it will be allowed, is pure and classical in a remarkable degree.

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851. Whitchurch, on Education. *Vide* article, 574.

Well worth reading.

Critical Review.

852. A Tour to Holland, Dutch Brabant, the Austrian Netherlands and Part of France. 12mo. 3s. Kearsley.

That opinion from the Ledger annexed to article 610, belongs to this book, and should not have been there inserted. The article was by accident omitted. We have many reasons for believing this tour to be written by Captain Thicknesse.

Written in a familiar, epistolary manner, and containing some observations and information worthy of the readers notice.

Brit. Magazine.

This publication presents the reader with trite and common remarks, expressed without propriety or elegance. Universal Mag.

This book may be of advantage to those who travel. The names and value of the different coins are ascertained and compared to the English; the distance from place to place is marked; the mode and expence of travelling is particularized, and a brief description is given of every place worthy of the attention of a stranger. — When the author pretends to talk of the manners and customs of the people, he seems to have got quite out of his depth, and we are shocked with low prejudice and the grossest misrepresentation.

Lond. Magazine.

853. *Curæ posteriores, five appendicula Notarum atque Emendationum in Theocritum Oxonii nuperrime publicatum.* 4to. 2s. 6d. Nourse.

This performance abundantly confirms the opinion we always have entertained of Mr. Toup's uncommon familiarity with Grecian literature, and of his singular sagacity in conjectural criticism. It is an addition to the Animadversiones which he lately published in the learned and ingenious Mr. Warton's edition of Theocritus.

Critical Review.

854. Newton's Architecture of Pollio. *Vide* article, 442.

A masterly translation of a celebrated author, who is supposed to have lived when Rome was governed by Titus. Critical Review.

855. Desgodetz's Buildings of Rome. By Marshall. *Vide* article, 288.

The drawings of M. Desgodetz appear to be executed with no less elegance than accuracy, and communicate a high idea of the grandeur of ancient Rome; nor is the present edition of Mr. Marshall, in any respect, unworthy of the original, while it has the advantage of being more generally useful, by having not only the French of M. Desgodetz, but an English translation, on opposite pages.

Critical Review.

856. Pollen, on the fatal Consequences of Adultery. *Vide* article, 765.

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The evils brought upon nations, as well as private persons, are here enumerated; and some arguments are advanced for passing a law to prevent an adulterer and adulteress ever marrying together after conviction, which, if not quite conclusive, will be found entertaining, as they are collected from ancient laws and customs relating to the punishment of adulterers. Critical Review.

857. The Antidote, *Vide* article, 597.

The original, of which this is a free translation, was written, as it is supposed, by a Russian nobleman, in French. The author appears to be a perfect master of that language, to be a very sprightly writer, with a peculiar vein of humour and a good taste for the polemical style, which conducted by a truly patriotic spirit, carries him beyond the limits of calm controversy, and betrays sometimes animosity and acrimony, ill-becoming a man of a liberal education. Our fair translator has endeavoured to soften those too harsh expressions, and to take off the edge of the too keen, and we may really say, too low and harsh recriminations, without, however, depriving it of the humourous sprightliness, and of that spirit which is conspicuous thro' the whole of this performance. Critical Review.

858. Fitz-Stephen's Description of the City of London. *Vide* article, 428.

Having no reason to question the authenticity of what is here related, we must consider this description as a matter of great curiosity. Critical Review.

859. Fumifugium: or the Inconvenience of the Air and Smoke of London, dissipated. 4to. 3s. 6d. sewed. White.

The author of this treatise was Mr. Evelyn, who lived in the reign of Charles II. The expedient suggested by this author for remedying the noxious air of the metropolis, is that all such manufactories, as either consume a great quantity of coal, and thereby impregnate the air with gross vapours, or of themselves excite unwholesome effluvia, should be removed a few miles from town, viz. brewers, dyers, soap-boilers, lime-burners, glass-houses, founderies, sugar-bakers, fire-engines for raising water, butchers, tallow-chandlers, &c. An observation as necessary now, as in the days he wrote. In short, this treatise, tho' written with little elegance, contains many useful hints for the improvement of London, both in magnitude and salubrity. It is said to have been published originally at the command of Charles II. Critical Review.

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860. Real improvements in Agriculture (on the principles of A. Young, Esq;) recommended to accompany improvements of rents; in a Letter to Reade Peacock, Esq; Alderman of Huntingdon. To which is added, a Letter to Dr. Hunter, Physician

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Physician in York, concerning the Rickets in Sheep. By T. Comber, Rector of Buckworth and Morborne, Hunts. 8vo. 83 pages. 1s. 6d. Nicoll.

After having pointed out the reasonable complaints of farmers in general, against their landlords, by an impartial survey of the lordship of — in the neighbourhood of Huntingdon, the rents of which, the land-owner is now going to raise; tho' the tenants are by certain clauses in their leases, tied up from improving their land, under a mistaken notion, that they cannot be improved; he proceeds sensibly to shew that a liberty of improvement should always accompany an additional rent, and points out the folly of the farmers in that country, and lays down some useful measures that might be taken, in the district he refers to, for enriching the grounds and getting money upon the farm, which would not only enable the tenant to pay an advanced rent with cheerfulness, but benefit the lands themselves, and the whole neighbourhood about them. His account of the rickets is very superficial; not at all analogous to the rickets in children, but called so from the sheeps walking irregularly during the distemper, which begins with a kind of lightheadedness and ends in something like a galloping consumption. If sheep escape it the second year they never take it, and if once they take it, they never recover. On opening some of these sheep when dead, he discovered a maggot in the membranes of the brain, and supposes such maggot, may have been taken up by the nostrils, while in the state of an egg.

861. An historical description of the Cathedral and Metropolitcal Church of Christ, Canterbury: containing an account of its Antiquities, and of its accidents and improvements, since the first establishment. 8vo. 102 pages. 2s. Canterbury printed. Law.

Containing little more than a description of the monuments. For the benefit of the English readers, the Latin epitaphs, &c. are translated. A south prospect of the cathedral is given, by way of frontispiece, and a list of the archbishops, deacons, and archdeacons, many hundred years back; with an account of the burning and rebuilding the church, in 1147, translated from the Latin of Gervase, an eye witness, by way of appendix.

862. A Charge relative to the articles of the Church of England, delivered to the Archdeaconry of Worcester, in the year 1772. And published at their request. By John Tottie, D. D. Archdeacon of Worcester, and Canon of Christ Church in Oxford. 8vo. 30 pages. 6d. Oxford printed. Rivington.

In this charge, Dr. Tottie, gives it as his opinion that the articles were purposely expressed by the reformers, in such terms as do not fix one precise, definitive sense on those parts of scripture, upon which they are founded, but give such a latitude as moderate men of Arminian or Calvinistic principles may equally subscribe to them

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in different senses, provided they interpret them soberly and consistently with the general purport of the whole, so that one article be not set at variance with itself, or with any other article. He afterwards proceeds to draw out the whole scheme of Christian faith, as represented in the articles, which he does in a masterly manner, but not so conclusively as to admit of no reply.

863. Considerations on the present dearth of Provisions and Corn, in Great Britain; with thoughts on a suitable remedy, so as not to oppress the landed or trading interest, or diminish the Revenue, as one cannot be well supported without the other. As presented to his Majesty. By Thomas Elbridge Rooke, Esq. 4to. 24 pages. 1s. 6d. Devizes, printed for the Author. Burrough, Devizes.

The author of this tract was formerly a lieutenant in the 108th. regiment of foot. He is a plain and superficial, but apparently an honest writer. He is confident the dearth of provisions is chiefly owing to too great a number of horses, still-houses, and a prohibition of the distillery of wheat; and to remedy these disadvantages, would have dairy-men obliged to wean every third calf, which, to induce the farmers to buy, they should be allowed a bounty for by government, the bounty to be supported by a conditional tax upon horses. He is for admitting all carriages drawn by oxen to pass the roads toll-free for seven years, by which means, neat cattle would be increased in number, and the articles dependant thereon much cheaper, viz. leather, tallow, soap, candles, &c. He would have the stills kept, and in lieu of the excise duty, the government would thus lose, he would have all the British American wheat-flour now imported into Europe, first landed in Great Britain, and pay one penny per bushel duty, which might be converted into spirits or bread, or be re-exported, according to the price of corn here. As superficial as this piece is, it contains hints that may be improved.

864. A Dissertation upon heretical opinions, giving a short distinctive view of the principal errors, which have prevailed in all the several ages of the Church, and shewing that these are reasonable objections against the truth of Christianity, nor any grounds for the false pretences of Popery, or Infidelity. By John Rawlins, M. A. Rector of Leigh in Worcestershire, Minister of Badsey and Wickamford, and Chaplain to the Right Hon. Lord Archer. 8vo. 101 pages. 1s. 6d. Oxford printed. Rivington.

Mr. Rawlins, who is a learned and elegant writer, has divided his tract into 14 sections, and has given us an abbreviated account of the various opinions, which have disturbed the peace of the Church, in all the several periods of the Gospel. 'Tis indeed but a sketch, yet a sketch that perhaps affords a readier view of Ecclesiastical History, than a more full account might do. And that we may rely upon his assertions, he gives his authorities, by way of
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notes. He has promised us a second dissertation, shewing the nature of heresy, the principal causes of religious errors, and in what respects they are innocent or sinful, with an answer to some excuſes, which are generally urged by false christians, as well as avowed unbelievers.

865. A Treatise on the Medicinal virtues of the waters of Aix-la-Chapelle and Borſet. The whole drawn from a chain of physical reasoning upon the nature and effects of those famous waters, and supported with a history of the particular cases, wherein they have, and wherein they have not been beneficial. To which is added, by way of introduction, a chemical analysis of the waters, from a number of experiments made upon the spot. By J. Williams, M. D. 8vo. 243 pages, and 87 of introduction. 4s. sewed. Becket.

The title-page amply explaining the nature of this work, all that will be necessary to say, is, that it appears to be the result of close enquiry. Dr. Williams, has long resided in that place, and has made his experiments from time to time with great care and attention: he has supported his reasoning with a variety of cases, which convince us, that no waters are more beneficial in certain cases, when judiciously administer'd, and none more injurious, when not properly taken; and particularly if not drank at the Spa, they containing something very volatile and sulphureous, which they lose, as they cool, and which is entirely dissipated when they are reheated. In short, the subject is treated here in a manner no other physician has hitherto attempted, so that mankind in all parts of Europe, may be informed, as well from practice as from theory, in what constitutions these waters may be successfully applied, a circumstance very desirable to an invalid, who would wish to save his money and avoid so long a journey, in a case where he could reap no benefit.

366. A View of Revealed Religion, as it stands to the Reason. By the author of *Meditations upon the Attributes of God and Nature of Man*. 8vo. 198 pages. 2s. 6d. sewed. Law.

There is a great deal of good reasoning in this volume, tho' it is calculated to set aside the doctrine of the trinity. The author denies the divinity of Jesus Christ, but asserts that he is one of those celestial beings formed before the world was made, that the one God and Father of all dwelt in him, spake to us by him, and performed the miracles, recorded in scripture, thro' him; Christ exerting no more power in working those miracles, than Moses did, when by the command of God, he lifted up his rod, stretched his hand over the sea and divided it.

867. A comprehensive Rationale of the causes of Chronic Diseases, wherein a natural, easy and safe method of preventing, as well as curing those diseases, is pointed out. By John Morland, M. D. 12mo, 30 pages. 6d. Hooper.

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Designed to puff a diaphoretic and diuretic nostrum for the fever. Full of Greek phrases, technical terms, and hard words, the customary bait to take in the ignorant and incautious.

868. A Treatise on Onanism, &c. By W. Farrer, M. D. 8vo. 82 pages, and 11 of preface. 1s. 6d. Johnson.

Another trumpety pamphlet to puff nostrums, which seem to have been pirated. If variety of quotations from latin and other authors will give a man a reputation of learning, we may say this author is a learned man; but when we discover under this false veil, little else than ignorance and quackery; we must hold him in abhorrence. If we mistake not, this Farrer is one who not only made free with a late venerate Doctor's medicines, but his wife, and who is no more entitled to the appellation of M. D. than half the world are to that of Esq.

869. The Ordinary of Newgate's Account of the Behaviour, Confession, and dying Words of the four Malefactors, viz. Samuel Roberts and Thomas Bacchus for High-Treason in coining Guineas, &c. Peter M'Cloud for a Burglary, and Richard Morgan for robbing his Master, who were executed May 27, 1772, &c. 4to. 11 pages. 6d. Lewis.

A slight, superficial narrative, little better than the Grub-street accounts cried about the streets. Was the Ordinary of Newgate to reason religiously upon the various transactions that come before him and make some occasional and suitable reflections; his account might be one of the most useful pamphlets published, and be of singular service to the lower class of the community, in warning them from those shelves on which so many have already split.

870. The Rival Beauties; a poetical contest. 4to. 25 pages. 1s. 6d. Griffin.

This pamphlet consists of three pieces, (two of which were printed at Bath) viz. the Bath picture; or a slight sketch of its beauties in 1771, a ballad; Clio's Protest, or the picture varnished, addressed to Lady Margaret Fordyce; and Pindar's Answer. There is an attempt at humour but we may safely say, that thro' the whole, there is neither humour, rhyme nor reason.

871. Ariadne Forsaken. A poem. 4to. 14 pages. 1s. 6d. Griffin.

This piece is taken from the sixty-second poem of Catullus. It is in heroic verse, and so much superior to the pamphlet above, that it is tolerable.

872. The Bytander. 8vo. 50 pages, with a caricature frontispiece. 1s. 6d. Hingeston.

Designed to ridicule a dispute between two lawyers and a parson; but impossible to be understood, without a key, except by such as know the affair.

873. The Toilet of Flora; or a collection of the most simple and approved methods of preparing baths, essences, pomatums, powders, perfumes, sweet-scented waters and opiates for preserving and whitening the teeth, &c. &c. with receipts for cosmetics of every kind that can smooth and brighten the skin, give force to beauty, and take off the appearance of old-age and decay. For the use of the ladies. Improved from the French of M. Buchoz, M. D. 12mo. 272 pages. 3s. bound. Nicoll.

This collection contains 335 receipts, and is sufficient to set up one of our modern perfumers, who through the vanity of the ladies and the effeminacy of our macaronis, thrive, while many a reputable tradesman is decaying. As far as we can pretend to judge, the receipts appear harmless, and some of them may be beneficial.

874. Sermons by the late Rev. Mr. John Whitty, minister of the gospel at Lyme-Regis, Dorset. 2 vols. 8vo. 951 pages. 10s. bound. Buckland.

These sermons have the approbation of Dr. John Conder, Dr. Thomas Gibbons and Mr. Joseph Barber. They complete Mr. Whitty's works in 4 vols; two having been published some time since. The first of the present volumes, contains 26 sermons, 12 of which are on the Lord's prayer, the rest on practical subjects. The second volumes contains 31 sermons, adapted to the ordinance of the Lord's supper. With respect to the composition, they are plain, but well-adapted to aid the devotions of the family and closet.

875. Trifles: By Vortigern Crancocc, Esq. A. B. C. D. & E. F. G. H. I. & K. L. M. N. & O. P. Q. R. S. & T. V. U. W. X. Y. Z. 12mo. 124 pages. 2s. Bladon.

Trifles indeed! consisting of the life of the author, two or three prose; and two or three poetic pieces, all in the burlesque way. To say there is no degree of humour in them would be too severe, there is a little and but little. 'Tis an imitation of Swift's writing, but a very humble one. The volume is closed with two short tales a little in Chaucer's method, except that the style is modern, and the verse but indifferent.

876. Institutes of Botany. Part II. Containing an analysis and examination of the Tournefortian and Linnæan methods of arrangement; as likewise the essential and secondary characters of all the genera which compose the three first classes of the latter. By Colin Milne, LL. D. reader on Botany in London, author of the Botanical Dictionary. 4to. 302 pages. 6s. sewed. Griffin.

A continuation of a valuable work. In this part is begun a synopsis, exhibiting the essential or striking characters, which serve to discriminate genera of the same class and order: as likewise the secondary

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secondary characters of each genus, or those derived from the port, habit or general appearance of the plants which compose it.

877. *A Wife in the Right.* A comedy. By Mrs. Griffiths. Royal 8vo. 91 pages, besides 7 of preface and a list of the subscribers, in number about 500. 5s. Printed for the author. Dilly.

Mrs. Griffiths has here trod in Mr. Kelly's steps, and published her comedy by subscription, with a view, in some measure, of making up the loss she sustained, in its not being well received upon the stage. As much as has been said against it, we have found some pleasure in the perusal. The language is natural, genteel and easy, it has some pretty turns of expression, neither is it devoid of sentiment or novelty. Some of the scenes are tolerably worked up, some others indeed are not, but we chiefly attribute its ill success to a general want of spirit, it being too heavy and insipid for representation. Mrs. Griffiths thinks it was owing to Mr. Shuter's having mistaken his character, but we apprehend, the public will be of our opinion, for Mr. Shuter could not have performed it well, it not being adapted to his walk in the theatre.

878. *The Cooper.* A musical entertainment, in two acts; as it is performed at the theatre-royal in the Hay-market. The music composed by Dr. Arne. 8vo. 38 pages. 1s. Cox.

In point of language, ease and elegance, this is the reverse of the above; every speech is stiff and unnatural. The success it has met with must therefore be owing to the music and the representation, for the piece itself will not bear reading. It is translated from the French.

879. *Some Remarks on a Pamphlet entitled, A Third Check to Antinomianism.* By the author of *Pietas Oxoniensis*. 8vo. 16 pages. 3d. Dilly. *Vide* article, 769.

These gentlemen, in the midst of their controversy, seem to be very fond of each other. While they are disputing in point of doctrine, they are fulsomely loading each other with compliments. If this tract has any merit, 'tis that of being extremely short, the matter not bearing discussion. We will take the liberty of inserting this author's opinion of one of the most important doctrines of Calvinism, it being very concise and explanatory, tho', at last, 'tis little more than an evasion. He is charged by Mr. Fletcher with asserting, that "souls may strive, reform and pray, without any possibility of escaping Hell;" being predestinated to eternal misery from all eternity. To which he replies, that no Calvinist ever advanced any such doctrine; what they assert is, that "all they who are predestinated to eternal life, are predestinated to be conformed to the image of God's dear children, in the way to that life;" i. e. that a performance of good works is a proof of a man's belonging to the election of grace: the end and the means being inseparably connected.

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380. A Key to the Ænigmatical Repository; with an addition of sundry new ænigmas, rebusses, and conundrums, as also their explanation. By Charles Crinkum. 8vo. 33 pages. 6d. Canterbury: Printed for the author. Baldwin.

An explanation of the contents of article 265; with a trifling addition. The whole on a par with the curious publication to which it refers.

381. Memoirs of the Year, Two Thousand Five Hundred. Translated from the French, by W. Hooper, M. D. 2 vols. 12mo. 472 pages. 6s. Robinson.

These pages are written in the manner of Young's prosaic pieces. They contain an account of the customs and manners of the people, which a good man would hope should take place before the expiration of twelve hundred years. Tho' the scene of this narrative lies in Paris, yet the reflections, in general, which are pretty and affecting, may be applied, by changing the names of places and persons, to almost all the capital cities of Europe. It would be a pleasing reflection to a religious man, could he persuade himself that even after so distant a period, men, jaded and disgusted with running the wide-extended round of folly, would return to the pure lights of reason; but so progressive is the degeneracy of the times, that instead of expecting them to grow better, we have all the reason to dread their growing worse. However, for a little present happiness, let us dream the best. The reader may profit even by this imaginary scene. He will find the author to be a man of sense, of taste and learning, of a lively turn of mind, a strong spirit of liberty and a warm benevolence of heart. Had the translator studied more the softness of his expressions, it would have been a truer copy of the original, and had he omitted his own notes, it would have been no disadvantage to the work.

382. The Anatomy of the Human Body, composed (on an entire new plan) in a method very different from all anatomical writers. Designed (chiefly) for the use of naval practitioners, and by way of supplement to a work, entituled *The Marine Surgeon*: The whole, forming a complete repository, for the surgeons of the royal navy. To which is subjoined some physiological tracts, and a copious index. By William Northcote, Surgeon. 8vo. 448 pages and 24 of index. 6s. bound. Becket and Co.

The marine practice of physic and surgery, to which Mr. Northcote would have this considered as a supplement, was published in the year 1770, in 2 vols. 8vo. price 12s. in boards, and contains a general practice of physic and surgery. This volume is a synopsis or general view of anatomy; or rather a syllabus or compendium, more calculated as a remembrancer to professors of the

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art, than to instruct students. In this light, it may be of use, as practitioners by perusing it, will refresh their memories, if they do not improve their knowledge. It is a compilation from other writers.

883. Critical Remarks on the Books of Job, Proverbs, Psalms, Ecclesiastes, and Canticles. By D. Durell, D. D. Principal of Hertford College, and Prebendary of Canterbury. 4to. 299 pages. Oxford; printed. 8s. boards. Cadell, &c.

A learned and ingenious enquiry into some errors that have slipped into our versions. The books here examined are all in metre; from which Doctor Durell imagines some difficulties have arisen. Besides, many great obscurities in them owe their being to enigmatical and proverbial expressions, or to allusions, to local usages, and popular sentiments. But the chief perplexities he thinks are derived from the haste and ignorance of transcribers, who have not given true copies of the original text. To correct these errors, the Doctor says, has been his chief aim, in which he has pursued a method, which seems to carry with it the strongest conviction, viz. the investigation of the natural limits of each word and sentence.

884. The Lives and Amours of Queens and Royal Mistresses. With some intrigues of Popes. Small 8vo. 152 pages. 2s. 6d. sewed. Davis.

This publication is of a kind with article 234; and contains the five following histories, grounded upon truth, viz. Isabel, Queen of England, under King John; Fredegund, under Chilperic, King of France; Roxelana; under Soliman the Second Emperor of the Turks; Maria de Padilla, under Don Pedro, King of Spain; and Marozia, under several Popes. Villainously printed on brown paper.

885. A Letter to Protestant Dissenting Ministers, who lately solicited Parliament for further Relief. 8vo, 59 pages. 1s. Flexney.

Sensible, clear, and dispassionate. This writer, in the course of his pamphlet, enquires what was meant by toleration at the time of passing the act; what the state meant by it then; what idea the first dissenters entertained of it; and what they think of it now. This done, he says, and very wisely too, that as the state never meant to tolerate, and the first dissenters did not desire a toleration of, teachers of opinions, contrary to the supposed fundamental doctrines of the christian church, of which all protestants are members, (the complaint being confined to discipline only) requiring them to subscribe, with us, to our doctrines, was treating them as fellow-christians, and uniting ourselves with them; that tho' some of the articles may bear rather hard upon them; yet as they have not been

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been molested on this account, there is no ground for their application to parliament, and of course, it has been highly improper. He proceeds afterwards to shew that not only the matter of their application was exceptionable, but also the time and the manner, and as such, the rejection of the bill was justifiable.

886. Five Dissertations. 1. On the Athanasian Doctrine. 2. On the Socinian Scheme. 3. On the Person of Christ. 4. On the Rise, Progress, Perfection, and End of Christ's Kingdom. 5. On the Causes which probably conspired to produce our Saviour's Agony. By Edward Harwood, D. D. 8vo. 237 pages. 4s. sewed. Becket.

Dr. Harwood is a dissenting minister, and author of the Introduction to the Study and Knowledge of the New Testament, and several other ingenious performances. The dissertations before us are written in a clear and masterly manner, but on Arian principles. His doctrine, which he has supported with many learned authorities, is, that Christ was the very first production of the Deity, the very first being whom the Father Almighty called into existence; and that he was the illustrious instrument and minister whom the Deity employed in creating this world. The way he evades the argument brought in favour of Christ's Divinity from his being called God, in the first verse of the first chapter of St. John is this. The original term, Θεός, a God, applied to the word, or Christ; (says he) has not the same high signification, as ὁ Θεός, God, appropriated in the same verse to the Father. He does not give this as his own opinion merely, but avers, that both Origen and Eusebius, who wrote in the Greek language, and who were ten times more learned than Anathasius, to whom the Doctrine of the Trinity is attributed, (tho' falsely;) have expressly taken notice of this difference and allowed the force of it.

887. The leading Sentiments of the People called Quakers, examined, as they are stated in Mr. Robert Barclay's Apology; with an answer to what Mr. Phipps has advanced for the defence of them, in his observations upon an Epistle to the author of a Letter to Dr. Formey. By S. Newton of Norwich. 8vo. 239 pages. 3s. sewed. Burchall.

The Quakers are here severely handled in their leaders, George Fox and Robert Barclay. They never met with a greater rub. Indeed their tenets will not admit of controversy, as they cannot bear the test of day-light. Mr. Newton has greatly exposed the fallacy of their arguments, and as several of the protestant dissenters are acting upon the same mystical and antisciptural principles, which are drawn from the notion of the spirit within, and which compose the very essence of Quakerism, this volume may not be unpro-

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fitably read by the major part of them. The author of the Letter to Dr. Formey is a Mr. Beasley.

888. The Scripture-Doctrine of Sin and Grace considered, in twenty-five plain and practical discourses on the whole seventh Chapter of the Epistle to the Romans; in which the sinners natural state, as under the law; the believers deliverance by Jesus Christ; the christians daily exercises and conflicts with indwelling Sin; the successful and happy issue of the spiritual warfare, and the several genuine evidences of a gracious heart, deducible from the subject, are distinctly opened and applied for the Christian instruction, edification and consolation. Adapted to the use of the family and closet. To which are annexed, notes critical and explanatory. By John Stafford. 8vo. 555 pages. 6s. boards. Buckland.

Plain sermons on calvinistical principles, bordering upon enthusiasm; dedicated to the church of Christ, meeting in New Broad-Street, London.

889. A Free Enquiry into the authenticity of the first and second Chapters of St. Matthew's Gospel. 8vo. 151 pages. 2s. 6d. sewed. White.

This enquiry is not only ingenious, but learned, and as the author assures us, seems to be the result of serious thought and application. It relates to a subject of considerable importance, and as such merits attention; for as these are, of all the chapters of the New Testament, by far, the most difficult to be explained, to declare our suspicions concerning their authenticity, is the wisest and best step we can take in defending the cause of Christianity. In that case the adversary to revelation must not pretend to urge the difficulties in these chapters, as any way affecting the truth of the gospel, 'till he has proved that they really are a genuine part of it. We do not, with the author of this enquiry, take upon us to deny their authenticity, but we think he has advanced arguments sufficient to make us doubt it.

890. A Sermon preached at the visitation of the Rev. Archdeacon Cholwell at Huntingdon, May 19, 1772. By Peter Peckard, A. M. Published by desire of the Archdeacon and many of the Clergy. 4to. 26 pages. 1s. Cambridge, printed. Payne.

A critical examination of the following text, Rom. ix. 28. "He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness; because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth;" with explanatory notes. The whole closed with observations on the present contention for an abolition of subscription. Mr. Peckard is for revising

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revising the articles and forming them on such rational and easy principles, as the clergy can acquiesce in and conform to.

891. The Duty of Obedience to the Laws and of Submission to Magistrates. A Sermon occasioned by the late disturbances in the North of Ireland, preached before the Judges of Assize, in the Cathedral Church of Armagh, on Sunday, April 12, 1772. Published at the request of the High Sheriff and Grand Jury, of the County of Armagh. By the Rev, Hugh Hamilton, D. D. F. R. S. Dean of Armagh. 8vo. 32 pages. 6d. Nourse.

Having proved it to be God's will that men should every where pay a dutiful obedience to the laws of their country, he lays before us, some peculiar obligations which we of these kingdoms lie under, to the strict observance of this duty, and concludes with setting forth the mischiefs and calamities which have arisen, and must arise, where an attention is not paid to it. The text is Titus iii. 1.

892. An Essay on the formation, structure and use of the Teeth, with a Supplement, containing the necessary directions and instructions for cleaning and preserving them; wherein the opinions of some ancient and modern writers on the subject, will be impartially considered. By Mayer Lewis, operator for the teeth, in Oxford. Dedicated to the gentlemen of the University. 8vo. 41 pages. 1s. Printed for the Author. Wheble.

The most superficial and trifling performance we remember to have seen; accompanied with profound ignorance. It is little else than a panegyric upon himself as a Dentist. His directions and instructions for cleaning and preserving the teeth, are no other than after he has been paid for cleaning them, to pick them and wash them after meals.

893. Reflections on the Gout, with observations on some parts of Dr. Cadogan's pamphlet and Mr. Marshall's evidence in favour of Dr. Le Fevre. In a Letter to the Right Honourable Sir William De Grey. 8vo. 51 pages. 1s. Owen.

Some few cursory un-important reflections, but which cannot be properly understood, without first reading the pamphlets referred to. The author thinks the gout hereditary, that many of Mr. Marshall's causes were rheumatic instead of gouty, and that nothing is likely to cure the gout, but temperate living and sufficient exercise. A greater degree of exercise than Dr. Cadogan has prescribed.

894. Minutes and Proceedings of a Court Martial held on John Crook

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Crookshanks, Esq. formerly Captain of his Majesty's Ship the Lark. Now first published, by Robert Kirke, Judge-Advocate of the said Court Martial; occasioned by the Evidence of Mr. Crookshanks given in a Cause lately depending in the Ecclesiastical Court between Sir George and Lady Warren. Together with the Deposition of Mr. Crookshanks to the thirty-sixth article of Lady Warren's Libel, and his Cross-examination thereon; with Mr. Kirke's Remarks on the whole. Humbly submitted to the Right Honourable the Earl of Sandwich. 8vo. 171 pages. 2s. 6d. Bladon.

These minutes are published by Mr. Kirke in defence of himself, for dismissing Capt. Crookshanks from his Majesty's service, for not assisting the ship Warwick in an engagement with a Spanish man of war, in the year 1747; Mr. Crookshanks having deposed, in order to invalidate Mr. Kirke's evidence in favour of Sir George, that, from the unfair and impartial manner Mr. Kirke proceeded against him on that trial, he has ever since looked upon and doth still look upon him, to be a man whose heart is capable of bad acts.

895. Observations on Mount Vesuvius, Mount Ætna, and other Vulcanos; in a series of letters addressed to the Royal Society, from the Honourable Sir W. Hamilton, K. B. F. R. S. his Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the Court of Naples. To which are added, explanatory notes by the author, hitherto unpublished. 8vo. 179 pages. 3s. 6d. boards. Cadell.

This volume contains six letters that have before been published. Upon an application of Mr. Cadell to the author, he has been pleased to admit of their being collected together and re-published, and to enrich the publication with six drawings, and some few valuable notes.

Sir William, during the time he was Envoy from our Court to the King of Naples, transmitted many valuable papers to the Royal Society, in consequence of the philosophical observations he made upon the Vulcanos in Italy, which were published in the society's transactions about two years since, and are now, for the particular convenience of such as may have an opportunity of visiting the curious spots described in them, collected into one portable volume, illustrated with additional notes and drawings by the author.

Ledger.

896. A sentimental Journey through Greece. In a series of letters written from Constantinople; by M. De Guys of the Academy of Marseilles to M. Bourlat de Montredon, at Paris. Translated from the French. 3 vols. large 12mo. About 750 pages. 9s. bound. Cadell.

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A tolerable translation of M. De Guys' letters on Greece, called a sentimental journey, evidently to catch the present taste of the public. If there is any thing new in M. De Guys' remarks, it is, that incidents, as they occurred to him during his stay among the Greeks, are immediately compared with similar ones from some ancient writer, whose authorities he has given by way of notes.

The author of these letters resided a considerable time at Constantinople in the service of the Court of France, and availed himself of every opportunity of becoming acquainted with the manners and customs of the ancient and modern Greeks, an account of which he immediately committed to paper, and sent to his friend at Paris. The collection is illustrated with explanatory notes, comprehends a very satisfactory view of the public and private life of the inhabitants of the Levant, and will be particularly acceptable to all who have a taste for ancient Literature, or wish to employ themselves in useful and agreeable enquiries. *Ledger.*

897. An Historical Treatise on the feudal Law, and the Constitution and Laws of England, with a Commentary on Magna Charta, and necessary Illustrations of many of the English Statutes. In a Course of Lectures read in the University of Dublin. By the late Francis Stoughton Sullivan, L. L. D. Royal Professor of the Common Law in that University. 4to. 449 pages. 16s. boards. Johnson.

We are told by an advertisement prefixed to this volume, that the lectures it contains procured the author a very high reputation. The researches here made were esteemed extensive and ingenious, and the description given of the English Constitution, particularly interesting. Dr. Sullivan differs, among other things, from Dr. Blackstone in this, that whereas Dr. B. begins with the law of persons, Dr. S. begins with that of things; so far has Dr. S. improved the plan of a course of feudal law lectures, for it must be allowed impossible to be master of the law of persons, without an acquaintance with that of things. In short, a student in civil law cannot employ his time more advantageously than in an attentive perusal of this work.

- 898. The Lives of those eminent Antiquaries John Leland, Thomas Hearne, and Anthony à Wood; with an authentic account of their respective writings and publications from original papers. In which are occasionally inserted memoirs relating to many eminent persons and various parts of literature. Also, several engravings of antiquity, never before published. 2 vols. 8vo. 840 pages, with 10 copper plates. 12s. boards. Oxford, printed. Fletcher, Oxford.

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The first volume, among other things, contains the lives of Leland and Hearne, the second volume, that of Wood. Of the first two, there is but a small account; the biographical part of the last is fuller; but the authenticity of the papers amply atones for any scarcity of information. To gentlemen fond of antiquities this work will be particularly entertaining, as it will make them acquainted with things they may hitherto have been at a loss about, and gratify their curiosity, more than they may have reason to expect. The reader will, among other eminent persons, find some account of Bale bishop of Ossory. The lives of Hearne and a Wood were written by themselves.

John Leland, the antiquary, died 1552, (aged about 45.)

Thomas Hearne, born 1680, died 1735.

Anthony Wood, born 1632, died 1695.

Bale, bishop of Ossory, the historian, born 1495, died 1565.

Truster's Chronology.

899. Sermons on various subjects. By the late John Farquhar, M. A. Minister at Nigg. Carefully corrected from the author's manuscripts, by George Campbell, D. D. Principal of Marischal College, and Alexander Gerard, D. D. Professor of Divinity in King's College, Aberdeen. 2 vols. 12mo. 510 pages. 7s. bound. Dilly.

These volumes contain twenty sermons on practical subjects, which tho' far from being finished discourses, are animating and pleasing. They are calculated more for the pulpit than the closet, where want of correctness will not pass so well unnoticed. That they were not intended for the press, is very evident, for as the author discovers himself to have been a man of sense, discernment and fine feelings, had he designed to publish them, they would have appeared in another dress; we do not however blame the editors, as they could not have altered them without penning them afresh.

900. Experimental Enquiry concerning the causes which have generally been said to produce putrid diseases. By William Alexander, M. D. 8vo. 254 pages. 3s. 6d. boards. Becket.

An ingenious and attentive investigation of the subject. After a variety of experiments, Dr. Alexander concludes, that the living animal can only become putrid by a defect or excess of the vital motions; and therefore, whatever causes this defect or excess, will bring on a putrid state of the humours. He does not enter upon the method of cure, but contents himself with having dived into the causes of the disorder, leaving the reader to search for a remedy in other writers.

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901. Warton's Life of Sir Thomas Pope. *Vide* articles, 607, 850.

Altho' this work will not perhaps, by the generality of readers, be deemed either instructive or entertaining, Sir Thomas, being a character of no importance, yet the abilities of the author are undoubtedly very considerable. We conceive, therefore, they have been ill applied, and we cannot but consider it as an unhappiness that Mr. Warton has been called by his situation and connections, to attend to a subject, on which even the vigorous genius of a Milton could stamp no considerable value. Monthly Review.

902. Conjectures on the New Testament, &c *Vide* article, 274.

From the nature of the work, this volume is worthy of commendation; yet we think the author has not thrown his materials together in quite so exact a manner as, with some farther attention, he possibly would have done; still, however, it may be serviceable to many who have not larger productions at hand, or leisure for consulting them: farther, as it presents several observations upon the same passages of scripture at one view, it may prove useful and entertaining to all who apply themselves to this kind of study.

Monthly Review.

903. A Comment on some remarkable Passages in Christ's Prayer, &c. *Vide* articles, 389, 514.

The publication now before us, proposes some sentiments very different from those which have commonly prevailed, upon these subjects; but it is not the less entituled, on several accounts, to a very candid and careful perusal. The writer appears to be possessed of good sense, ingenuity, and learning; and what is yet more valuable, to be a man of unfeigned piety, and a sincere lover of truth. He does not rashly exclaim against, and endeavour to expose, established sentiments; but appears to be a rational and pious man, who reverences and loves the scriptures, and desires to advance the welfare of his fellow-creatures. His treatise presents us with several inferences and reflexions of a practical nature, and there is a simplicity in his style and manner of writing, which is very agreeable.

Monthly Review.

904. A Commentary on the Liturgy of the Church of England, &c. *Vide* articles, 608, 838.

The design of this writer is so worthy, that we are very unwilling to pass any thing like a censure upon his performance. but while we esteem his piety, and the regard he appears to have to the interests of virtue, we cannot but think that he has more of the pre-

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judices of the church-man than is fully reconcileable either with reason or scripture. However his work is not destitute of merit. It may be serviceable to elucidate some parts of our liturgy; it is calculated to inform and direct persons in attending the church-service, and may assist them to discharge religious duties with greater satisfaction and advantage.

Monthly Review.

905. Marshall's Travels thro' Holland, &c. *Vide* articles, 610, 848.

Mr. Marshall seems to have written his travels, not thro' a mercenary, but a laudable motive; that of being serviceable to the public. The reader must not expect to find here a very particular account of paintings, buildings, and other curiosities; the author's subject being confined to agriculture, population, &c. His style is rather negligent, and somewhat incorrect; yet, in our opinion, he has provided the reader with a great deal of entertainment, together with many rational, just, and useful observations and reflections on the various matters that fall under his notice; and what he advances upon the subjects of his enquiry, will be found to contribute greatly to the instruction and improvement of all who wish to become acquainted with the state and manners of other countries.

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906. Political Essays. *Vide* articles, 236, 356, 547, 644.

This is a work, which, had we leisure and room to expatiate upon, would furnish plenty of matter both for criticism and speculation. The plan is extensive, the design useful, and the execution is, in some parts, masterly, and very satisfactory, altho' it is in others extremely deficient. From the nature and design of this compilation, far the greatest part of it must necessarily consist of extracts from other authors; and yet the reader will meet with, among them, many striking passages, spirited proposals and ingenious speculations, that seem to be properly the collector's; sometimes delivered in animated language, and supported with solid reasoning: the diction is however often negligent and incorrect; his proposals and reasonings, as well as his calculations, are frequently vague and unsatisfactory, and he labours under a want of original information, concerning the present state of commerce, which he might have readily gathered from experienced merchants and the latest custom-house imports and exports.

Monthly Review.

907. Sullivan's Treatise on the Feudal Law. *Vide* article, 897.

Treating of a subject of the highest importance, and executed with singular ability. The very learned and ingenious author, has explained with a minuteness of investigation, and with a spirit of candour, which have not hitherto been exerted, the origin and progress of the English constitution and laws. Enlightened by reflexion, no less than by study, he surmounts difficulties, which former investigators were unable to resolve; and, divested of those

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party-prejudices, which misled our earlier antiquaries and lawyers, his work neither descends to flatter the crown nor the people. He does not write the apology of a faction. He has sought for the truth, and he has found it, amid the errors of hypothesis, the delusions of religious folly, and the obscurities which a crafty invention had created to conceal it.

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These lectures are not deficient in ingenuity and depth of enquiry, but they are totally devoid of those advantages of style which have been so successful in some late compositions of a similar kind; advantages which indeed seem necessary, in order to recommend to general notice a study which is esteemed so dry and unentertaining.

Lond. Magazine.

908. Whitelocke's Journal of the Swedish Embassy. *Vide* articles, 373, 720.

Commissioner Whitelocke was one of the most respectable chiefs of that republican party which bravely delivered this kingdom from one species of tyranny, and unfortunately subjected it to another. He was a man of strong sense, of extensive knowledge, of strict virtue, and sincerely attached to the liberties of his country. This journal, the editor assures us, is printed literally from the author's own manuscript; it commences Aug. 23, 1653, and recites, among many other circumstances, some curious conversations with Cromwell, in which the art, address, and masterly spirit of Oliver, are conspicuous. There is a strain of piety, running thro' every page of this work, (that kind of piety, with which all writing and all conversation was so highly tinged in Whitelocke's days) that may not prove so acceptable to a reader of taste; but they gave us no offence in the reading, seeming, like the rust of an antique, to be rather than marks of authenticity, and the true stamp of the times which gave birth to this curious, valuable and entertaining work.

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909. Lind, on the Fen-Fever of Bengal. *Vide* articles, 231, 351.

This essay contains a concise history of the disease, together with judicious observations on the causes and cure of it, which may be applied, *mutatis mutandis*, to fevers of the same genus raging in similar situations. But, among other exciting causes, we are surprised a man of sense should lay so much stress, as he does, on the supposed influence of the sun and moon.

Monthly Review.

910. Hunter, on the Teeth. *Vide* article, 2.

The fruit of a very considerable degree of attention, by a very capable observer. It's principal merit consists in the anatomical description, which is executed with the greatest accuracy and minuteness; very little being said concerning the diseases of the teeth. The figures were drawn under the author's direction by Mr. Rymf-dyk, and engraved by Strange, Grignion, Ryland and others.

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911. Aikin's Thoughts on Hospitals. *Vide* article, 188.

The pamphlet highly merits the attention of the public, on account of the great importance of the subject, and the very judicious manner in which it is treated; and more particularly as it presents to their consideration several important circumstances, that have either been entirely overlooked, or not sufficiently attended to, in the original construction of hospitals; as well as many other observations respecting their management or regulation, by an attention to which, they may be rendered still more productive of the public good. It further considers the various classes of disorders that render patients proper objects of admission; and gives us, by way of appendix, a letter of Dr. Percival's, in which that ingenious writer offers some pertinent observations on the grand articles, air, diet and medicine, with a view to the preventing or correcting putrefactive contagion in hospitals, as far as the same appears practicable on their present establishment.

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912. Fleming's Three Discourses. *Vide* article, 770.

This writer, tho' possibly he may sometimes be too positive or partial to his own opinion, appears as a rational and pious divine. His sentiments are however often very different from what has been accounted orthodox faith, and he is a known and a warm enemy to the operations of human authority in the christian church.

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913. A Letter to the Bishop of London, on his public Conduct. *Vide* articles, 401, 531.

If this narration is to be depended upon, we must acknowledge it reflects no honour either on the prelate or his chaplain.

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914. Religion Displayed, &c. *Vide* article, 417.

The principles of religion are here delivered in a kind of catechism, or rather dialogue, between the instructor and the youth; and it is endeavoured that the questions should be so formed as to lead the young person by his own reflections to the proper conclusions. To these are added a number of stories, anecdotes, &c. which are likely to engage the attention of youth and have a moral tendency.

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915. The whole Duty of a Mother, &c. *Vide* article, 98.

This volume is formed rather upon the orthodox scheme, but is not destitute of good sense or learning. We are far from saying, that it may not be read with edification and improvement; but it is not entirely adapted, in our apprehension, to what the title-page expresses. We have some doubt whether it be not a republication of an old work.

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916. A Detection of the dangerous Tendency of G. C's. Sermon on the Spirit of the Gospel. *Vide* article, 431.

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The sermon which has given birth to this detection, was preached before the Synod of Aberdeen, on the 9th of April, 1771, by George Campbell, Principal of the Marishall College in that city, and author of the celebrated Essay on Miracles: in which sermon, the learned Principal bore so very hard upon the Church of Rome, as to provoke some friend to that Church to undertake its defence. As this tract is plausibly written, and may do some mischief, we think that Dr. Campbell would do well to honour it with a refutation; which, with his abilities, employed in so good a cause, will, we apprehend, be no difficult task to accomplish.

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917. An Appendix to a Sermon on the Requisition of Subscription to the 39 Articles, &c. Addressed to the author of *Free Remarks* on the above Sermon. 4to. 6d. Flexney.

As the author of this appendix strongly charges us with censuring his sermon unjustly, we have condescended to peruse his pamphlet twice, an honour, which, we believe, will not be conferred upon it, by many other readers.

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918. Real Scriptural Predestination asserted and defended, &c. *Vide* article, 738.

The chief advantage of this author consists in the evident superiority arising from the goodness of his cause and the weakness of his adversary; for we cannot recommend him as an accurate, judicious, or temperate writer; yet he is by no means destitute of abilities.

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919. Tottie's Charge to the Clergy. *Vide* article, 862.
Ingenious, but, by no means, satisfactory. Monthly Review.
Masterly, but, in some respects, exceptionable. Critical Review.

920. Seyer's Address to the Members of the Church of England. *Vide* article, 777.

Mr. Seyer's address may possibly be read with some degree of edification by many of his parishioners at Bristol; but it will not afford any instruction or entertainment to philosophical and liberal minds.

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921. The Doctrines of a Trinity, &c. Examined, &c. *Vide* article, 418.

This writer discovers a competent share of learning and acquaintance with the topics which he examines; and he appears to be a well-meaning and a worthy man.

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922. Stennett's Remarks on administering Baptism by Sprinkling. *Vide* article, 575.

Dr. Stennett's learning and abilities are well known; and he appears yet more respectable, on account of that candour and moderation, with which he treats this subject.

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923. *Paradise Regained, or the Scripture Account of the glorious Millennium, &c.* *Vide* articles, 437, 558, 715.

Tho' this performance manifests that the author has applied himself, with some care, to discover what is intended by several mysterious parts of scripture, yet it is hardly sufficient to afford any great and solid satisfaction concerning them, to thinking and studious readers.

Monthly Review.

924. *Considerations on the Causes of the present Stagnation of Matrimony; &c.* *Vide* articles, 762, 830.

There are many useful reflections in this publication; but as the author has discovered his learning by a number of Latin, French, and Italian quotations, many of which he has not translated, we should apprehend, this would rather retard, than promote the sale of his work.

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925. *Edwards's Letter to John Hanbury, Esq.* *Vide* article, 775.
A cruel case, that carries the face of truth. Monthly Review.

926. *Holloway's Letter to Sir John Fielding.* *Vide* article, 780.
A detail of the exploits of an associate of the late notorious Bol-land. Monthly Review.

The public are certainly indebted to this author, for assuming the invidious censorial office of holding up, to their view, such miscreants as ought to be the objects of universal detestation.

Critical Review.

927. *The History of the Herculean Straits, now called the Straits of Gibraltar: including those Ports of Spain and Barbary that lie contiguous thereto. Illustrated with several copper-plates. By Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas James, of the Royal Regiment of Artillery.* 4to. 2l. 2s. bound. Rivington, &c.

Colonel James having resided during several years in the garrison of Gibraltar, was naturally induced to engage in the enquiries which make the subject of the present work. He possesses some store of learning and that persevering industry which is so necessary to those who engage in extensive researches. In other and more important qualifications he is deficient. He wants that vigour of mind which leads to discovery and manly investigation. The difficulties which start up before him, sometimes confound and overwhelm him. In the selection of his facts, he discovers no choice or skill; and they perpetually appear without precision. The reader sees them indistinctly, and without those circumstances and illustrations which ought to have accompanied them. Nor is he altogether free from credulity and superstition. Tho' he enters far into the wild field of history, he affords no political instruction. The arrangement of his materials is awkward and unnatural; his repetitions are frequent and disgusting; and his language, almost al-

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ways careless, is frequently disgraced with foreign idioms and grammatical impurities. The plates, however, appear to be exact, and are well executed. Monthly Review.

928. Pegge's Assemblage of Coins. *Vide* article, 572:

This piece addresses itself to the mere antiquary, and reflects but a feeble light on our history. In short, we cannot say much in commendation of any part of the work. Monthly Review.

929. Wimpey, on the high Price of Provisions. *Vide* article, 776.

Mr. Wimpey has taken pains to inform himself of several facts relating to the dearness of provisions, which are worthy of notice, and which we wish to see under proper regulation. Tho' he is not one of the most able writers on this subject, he has thrown out several hints and observations which deserve the attention of the public. Monthly Review.

This author seems to be a man of humanity and observation, but affords us no prospect of alleviating the distresses of the poor, by any plausible scheme for reducing the exorbitant prices of the necessaries of life. Ledger.

930. Rooke's Considerations on the Dearness of Provisions, &c. *Vide* article, 863.

Written from motives of humanity and zeal. Monthly Review.

This author's intention appears to be good. We are sorry we cannot pay the same compliment to his language; nor does he seem to possess that penetration or those extensive views of things, which the discussion of so difficult a subject necessarily requires.

Lond. Magazine.

This pamphlet, tho' written in a very incorrect manner, contains many useful hints. Ledger.

931. A Letter to one of the Associators at the Chapter Coffee-house. *Vide* article, 772.

A very sensible and spirited address against the revival of the bounty on the exportation of corn, and the severity of the laws, which render the importation of food illicit and contraband trade. Tho' we cannot adopt the sentiments of this writer, nor allow the conclusiveness of his reasoning, there is too much ground for some of his reflections. Monthly Review.

Written with spirit and ingenuity.

Critical Review.

932. Cauty's Natura, Philosophia and Ars in Concordia. *Vide* article, 426.

In this work, the author undertakes to demonstrate the necessity and practicability of building all houses proof against fire and vermin, and to give several curious and useful observations on subjects relative thereto. He proposes an entire new plan of constructing chimnies, so that the smoke cannot reverberate; points out plain methods

rhods to cure smoky chimnies, and gives certain and easy directions to all mechanics in wood, how to finish household furniture and the wainscoting of rooms, so as no vermin can exist therein, and also how to cleanse such as are already infected. Monthly Review.

933. Fitzstephens's Description of the City of London. *Vide* articles, 428, 858.

This fragment, tho' written in a panegyric strain, may be considered as a great literary curiosity. The anonymous editor has added many notes to ascertain dates and facts, which render it an acceptable performance to those who are curious in searching back into antiquity. Monthly Review.

934. A Miscellany of Eastern Learning. *Vide* articles, 430, 541, 724.

As the articles which compose this miscellany are selected with little care or choice, they reflect no honour on their collector, and still less does the present edition do credit to the English translator. The former, has been deficient in taste and judgment; and the latter, beside having small pretensions to these qualities, does not even seem to understand either the French language or his own.

Monthly Review.

935. Socrates out of his Senses. *Vide* articles, 439, 522.

A work abounding with delicate satire, pleasant humour and excellent sentiments, something after the manner of Sterne.

Monthly Review.

936. The Rival Beauties. *Vide* article, 870.

A frivolous contest between two idle Bath rhymers, squabbling about the celebration of the beauties, who frequented that place in 1771. One of the pieces, however, has some smartness.

Monthly Review.

With respect to these contending poets, we think them pretty well matched, and that it is needless for them to quarrel about their merit; when it is no very easy task to discover that either of them has any.

Critical Review.

The Bath picture, the first of the pieces in this unimportant contest, contains a short account of the most celebrated beauties who last year frequented that place of polite amusement; this gave occasion to a poem in answer, called Clio's protest, or the picture varnished; to which the author of the first piece replied in a copy of verses, which, like the others, will, in our opinion, afford no degree of pleasure to any but those who were concerned in carrying on this species of Parnassian warfare.

Ledger.

937. The Feelings of the Heart. *Vide* articles, 390, 497.

This performance is not destitute of incident or sentiment. It is conducted with a good deal of art, expressed with tolerable purity, and may be read with some degree of pleasure. Monthly Review.

938. The

938. The Voyages, &c. of Chevalier Dupont. *Vide* articles, 731, 814.

These volumes have the appearance of a narrative of real adventures, occurring in a series of trading voyages, thro' various parts of America and the West-Indies. There is nothing romantic nor extraordinary in the incidents, and most of them are intolerably circumstantial and tedious; yet has Mr. Dupont, by the ease and vivacity of his manner, rendered his details, in some degree, interesting; and they will prove the more entertaining to many readers, from his descriptions of the various places which he visited, in his several voyages.

Monthly Review.

The incidents related in these volumes are recommended by no circumstance except their multiplicity. The hero is one of those insignificant frenchmen whose chief study is a universal and unprincipled gallantry. His history, of course, consists of a succession of infamous and uninteresting intrigues, which he has narrated without connection, without taste, and without spirit. He has, indeed, affected to mix with his love-adventures, observations upon many parts of the new world, &c. but these remarks contain nothing that is not to be found in the meanest geographical dictionary. The translation is very well suited to the merit of the original.

Lond. Magazine.

939. A comparative View of the public Burdens of Great-Britain and Ireland, &c. *Vide* article, 764.

This pamphlet is written with judgement and ability, and the author's remarks with respect to Ireland, in particular, appear to be just and conclusive.

Monthly Review.

The great outlines of this writer's plan is, that Ireland ought to be considered merely as a remote part of Great-Britain, a plan extremely plausible, founded on liberal and enlarged sentiments of public utility, and supported by many rational arguments and much ingenious political reasoning.

Critical Review.

Town & C. Mag:

940. Green's Harveian Oration. *Vide* article, 637.

After the usual commemoration of benefactors, &c. the orator labours to prove that all requisites to a good medical education are to be had at our two Universities; and then discusses the contest between the College and the Licentiates, in a very liberal manner, treating these last-mentioned gentlemen with temper and urbanity.

Monthly Review.

941. Grosley's Tour to London, by Nugent. *Vide* article, 739.

These volumes will not bear a critical examination; and no wonder. Mr. Grosley was totally ignorant of the English language and made no attempt to acquire any knowledge of it. His stay in this country was exceedingly short; the information he received was imperfect, erroneous, and frequently misunderstood by him. Tho' he

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appears to be, in a great measure, void of national rancour and aversion, tho' his pages are not stained with those illiberal invectives with which the English have been loaded by former French observers, yet he cannot be entirely acquitted of prejudice. In some instances, he relates things simply as he saw them, and makes those observations, which naturally arise from the subject, ingenuously, frankly, and without affectation: but, in other cases, he seems to have set out with a pre-concerted opinion, imbibed from former writers on the same topics; and, in order to support a favourite system, observations are multiplied, facts are twisted and misapplied, and reasons are invented, with a degree of obstinate perseverance, which cannot fail to give disgust. Critical Review.

Lond. Magazine,

M. Grosley, tho' he seems to have divested himself as much as possible of national prejudice, still retains such a tincture of the Frenchman, that we cannot pronounce his work an impartial disquisition on the manners and genius of the English. If we add to this, the mutations of taste and fashion since the time of his writing, we shall find a very imperfect idea of our present modes and polite pursuits. This work may, however, gratify the curiosity of such readers as are desirous of knowing the sentiments of a sensible foreigner upon the state of this nation some years back. Town & C. Mag.

942. Northcote's Anatomy. *Vide* article, 882.

Both in the original design and execution of this work, we find proof of the author's industry and accurate acquaintance with anatomical researches. While he has compiled his system from the most approved writers on the subject, he has judiciously abridged that minuteness and prolixity of description, which never fails to render the science extremely perplexing, as well as discouraging to the student. At the same time that Mr. Northcote has executed his work with a commendable brevity, his descriptions are perspicuous and accurate, and they exhibit such a view of the various parts of the body, as is sufficiently competent to afford the necessary instruction for medical and chirurgical practice. To this system of anatomy, the author has added a concise physiological account of the chyle, and chylication; of the blood and its circulation; of muscular motion; of the pulse; of respiration; of perspiration; and of secretion.

Critical Review.

943. Williams, on the Waters of Aix-la-Chapelle and Borset. *Vide* article, 865.

Dr. Williams has paid great attention to this enquiry; after analysing the waters, he examines their medicinal virtues, produces a number of cases in which they have been used either with disadvantage or success; and delivers such rules for the use of them as he has found from experience to be most successful. He promises to favour the public with his future observations on the same subject.

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944. Sermons on various Subjects. By Gregory Sharpe, LL. D.: 8vo. 5s. sewed. Cadell.

Tho' these sermons are posthumous publications, which have not received the author's final improvements and corrections, they are sensible and useful discourses; and a judicious reader will be entertained with some new and striking observations, with many rational, manly, and liberal sentiments. The greatest part of them were preached before their Majesties in the Chapel-royal of St. James's. The two last are charity-sermons, which were published soon after they were preached, but being now very scarce, are re-printed. The editor has prefixed to these discourses a list of Dr. Sharpe's publications, which are in number 13, and are incontestible evidence of the abilities and application of the learned author.

Critical Review.

945. Memoirs of the Year 2500. *Vide* article, 881.

This work is of a satirical nature; the period which is properly the subject of these memoirs being the present time. The author is represented as a person who has slept 732 years, and awaking in the year 2500, contemplates the wonderful changes which have happened in manners, customs, government, and other particulars during the time of his sleep. Many curious and interesting subjects occur in the prosecution of these memoirs; and it is evident that the author possesses taste and a fund of natural and just observation. From the pleasing character of the visionary age, which he affects to describe, he has chosen an advantageous situation for a retrospective view of the political imperfection of the present times; and it would tend to the happiness of mankind, that the government of every country would endeavour to remedy the defects in legislation and manners which are censured in the course of this work.

Critical Review.

Town & C. Mag.

946. The Life of Theodore Agrippa D'Aubigné. *Vide* article, 759.

With respect to the merit of this work, the narrative is simple and unornamented; and we believe the facts are related with more impartiality than they have been by the greater part of preceding historians; no small share of the materials is, however, extracted from D'Aubigné's Universal History, and from the memoirs of his own life, which he drew up for the use of his family; but he appears to have been a man of integrity.

Critical Review.

One of the most useful and entertaining books in the language.

Gent. Magazine.

947. Lyson's practical Essays on Fevers, &c. *Vide* article, 782.

After delivering a brief account of the nature and causes of the various diseases here treated of, the author relates the method of cure which he has found to be most successful in each, and confirms

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the utility of the practice he recommends, which is simple and rational, by producing the history of several cases. Critical Review.

948. Duncan, on the Use of Mercury in the Venereal Disease. *Vide* articles, 376, 476, 638.

Written with judgment and precision. Tho' it contains not many new observations, it affords a clear view of the arguments relative to the action of mercury and lays down many useful practical rules for the successful administration of that medicine. Critical Review.

Doctor Duncan has, in this treatise, made many judicious remarks with respect to the properties and effects of mercury, which he endeavours to prove does not cure the above distemper, by producing an evacuation, as was formerly believed, but by operating as an antidote to the morbid matter, a circumstance that time and experience alone can determine.

Ledger.

949. Ariadne forsaken. *Vide* article, 871.

We are told this piece is presented to the public, rather with a view to make the admirable original better known, than from any pretensions of the author. But we cannot believe this to be really the case, as he avows his hopes that the language of this little poem is that of nature, simple and unaffected, which he looks on as the only true poetry. That the curious metaphor, the far-fetched epithet, and the jingle of alliteration are mere tritious ornaments, we agree with him; but while he has carefully avoided these, he has not unfrequently fallen into the opposite extreme, and gone below the dignity of poetry.

Critical Review.

950. Dawson, on the 4th and 5th Chapters of Genesis. *Vide* article, 580.

In this work Mr. Dawson has acquitted himself as an industrious, learned and faithful translator and commentator. He has, to use his own words, "aimed at exactness and accuracy, oftentimes even to minuteness.

Critical Review.

951. A View of Revealed Religion. *Vide* article, 866.

The author of this tract appears to be a person of a liberal and speculative turn of mind, a diligent reader of the scriptures, but, in some instances, a little paradoxical.—In the latter part of his work, he endeavours to shew that the Mosaic account of the Creation, the Fall, Cain and Abel, &c. are parables; that all the sacred books of the Jews abound with figures, allegories and parables: and that every one of the Prophets, in this respect, copied after Moses, and Moses after the Egyptians. Critical Review.

952. An Address to the serious and candid Professors of Christianity. 12mo. 6d. Buckland.

A cursory apology for some of the doctrines of Calvinism, written with temper and a spirit of benevolence. Critical Review.

953. Mis-

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953. Miscellaneous Reflections upon the Religion, Morals and Manners of the present Age. 8vo. 1s. Johnson.

A superficial rhapsody on pleasure, theology, the use and importance of reason in matters of religion, and the absurdity of submitting our faith to creeds and articles of human composition.

Critical Review.

954. The Prisoner Released. A Sermon. By William Dodd, L.L. D. *Vide* article, 733.

This discourse is one of Dr. Dodd's fugitive pieces; but calculated to answer a very benevolent purpose.

Critical Review.

955. A Letter to the Dissenting Ministers, &c. *Vide* article, 885.

As the safety and peace of our established church, should be interesting objects to every sensible and good man, we warmly recommend the perusal of this excellent pamphlet to our readers. The liberality of literary criticism must bestow on this performance the most unreserved encomium. Its candour and politeness, its perspicuity and elegance of style, its strength and acuteness of argument, are singularly conspicuous.

Critical Review.

956. Reflections on the Gout, &c. *Vide* article, 893.

The remarks here made on Dr. Cadogan's pamphlet have not appeared, as far as we remember, in any of the former publications on that subject. But, tho', in these observations, the author displays some novelty, he suggests nothing new in regard to practice.

Critical Review.

957. Berdoe, on the Pudendagra. *Vide* article, 626.

The account here delivered of the pudendagra would not be exceptionable, were it not sullied with too palpable an affectation of rhetorical embellishments which never fail of exciting disgust in medical writings.

Critical Review.

958. Britannia libera. *Vide* articles, 754, 794.

The author of this pamphlet is a strenuous advocate for liberty; but the learning, and laudable zeal which he discovers, seem not always to be guided with equal judgment.

Critical Review.

959. Thoughts on the Power of the Crown in the Bestowal of Places, &c. *Vide* articles, 382, 545, 653.

The subject here considered is, without doubt, of great importance to public liberty; and the author, it must be owned, has treated it with equal freedom and plausibility of argument.

Critical Review.

960. History of the four last Elections for the County of Suffolk. *Vide* articles, 371, 652.

This pamphlet discovers a zeal for public freedom, but such a zeal as is expressive of a violent tendency to licentiousness.

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961. An Essay on the Theory of Money. *Vide* article, 162.
Though we cannot admit all the opinions advanced by this author, we must acknowledge that he possesses both speculative ingenuity, and the literary talents of a writer who is formed to gain credit with the public. Excepting a few propositions, his principles are consistent with rational theory; and he considers his subject in the various lights in which it is related either to government or commerce.
 Critical Review.
962. Stephen's, on Imprisonment for Debt. *Vide* articles, 269, 655.
These letters were originally published in the news-papers; and cannot fail of interesting every benevolent heart in the rigorous fate of insolvent debtors.
 Critical Review.
963. Hamilton's Observations on Vulcanos. *Vide* article, 895.
Containing both the best descriptive and philosophical account of vulcanos that ever was published.
 Critical Review.
964. Forster, on assaying and classing Minerals. *Vide* article, 779.
The method of assaying here advised, will certainly tend much to facilitate the investigation of mineral bodies. Mr. Forster, has, in our opinion, consulted both the safety and convenience of the philosophical enquirer, by not adopting the use of Mr. Engstroem's pocket-laboratory, which is liable to so many objections. He has also judiciously avoided recommending such operations as would require a great deal of trouble, or a larger apparatus than may be taken on a journey or voyage without too much incumbrance. His experiments are conducted upon the principles of chemistry; and, as far as a compendious method of investigating mineral substances can be decisive, they will answer the purpose he intends.
 Critical Review.
965. Syme's Fire Analysed. *Vide* article, 641.
This anylysis is written so much in the mystic style of an hermetic philosopher, we can scarcely learn any thing more from it, than that the author's imagination appears to be heated with the subject.
 Critical Review.
966. Rothe's real Views and political System of Denmark explained, &c. *Vide* articles, 752, 820.
A Grub-street production.
 Critical Review.
967. Memoirs of Edmund Ludlow. *Vide* article, 701.
The genuine spirit of patriotism which appears to have actuated the author of these memoirs, must render them particularly interesting to all lovers of liberty; and they receive an additional value from the turbulence of the period on which they are written.
 Critical Review.

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968. Memoirs of Miss Williams. *Vide* article, 681.

The whimsical lucubrations of a weak, religious enthusiast.

Critical Review.

969. Coleridge's Latin Grammar. *Vide* article, 688.

If we exclude an unnecessary ostentation of grammatical minutiae, we must admit that this grammar is sufficiently well calculated for the use of schools.

Critical Review.

970. The Tutor and Book-keeper's Guide in Accounts. 8vo. 6d. Hawes and Co.

This little treatise rises rather above the degree of mediocrity, and may probably furnish the young learner with as much knowledge in the theory of this art, as it is worth while to bestow upon it; for, like the art of swimming, it is not to be attained by mere theory alone.

Critical Review.

971. Considerations on the present State of Credit. 8vo. 3d. Fielden.

Some useful hints and observations on the present precarious situation of public credit, occasioned by the late alarming failures.

Critical Review.

972. The Lottery Displayed. *Vide* articles, 102, 161.

This pamphlet enters into no political investigation of the theory of lotteries; but it exhibits such a full detail of the method of conducting them, as may gratify at least the curiosity of adventurers, if it should not otherwise prove useful.

Critical Review.

973. Ten Minutes Advice to Gentlemen purchasing Horses. *Vide* articles, 611, 698.

We meet here with useful rules for guarding against any imposition in the purchase of horses.

Critical Review.

974. A new Present for a Servant-maid. *Vide* article, 700.

An improved edition of a pamphlet which has long been considered as useful.

Critical Review.

975. An Epistle from Mrs. B-----y to the D. of C. *Vide* articles, 91, 178.

For mean poetry and scurrilous invective, this epistle is equally contemptible.

Critical Review.

976. Trifles. *Vide* article, 875.

Bating the circumstance of indecency, we shall be content, 'Squire Crancocc, to see a few more of your trifles; and of the two kinds, we give the preference to those in verse; particularly that of the white swelling. In consideration of your being somewhat of a humourist, we are willing to overlook your sometimes talking nonsense

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sense, or what is much like it; but we advise you to keep a stricter hand over yourself in that point. Critical Review.

This little volume includes a number of pieces in prose and verse, in which the writer makes several very unfortunate attempts at humour. EveryMan'sMag.

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977. Love in the Suds; a Town Eclogue. Being the Lamentation of Roscius for the Loss of his Nyky. With annotations by the editor. Folio, writing paper. 27 pages. 2s. 6d. Wheble.

A severe satire on some respectable characters, viz. Garrick, Bickerstaff, Baretti, Mansfield, Dunning, Goldsmith, and Becket the bookseller; but the piece is principally pointed at Garrick and Isaac Bickerstaff, whom the author is pleased to call Nyky, charging the last with a capital offence. It is very evidently the fruit of Mr. Kenrick's disappointed pen, tho' he has prefaced the poem with a letter to Mr. Garrick, and signed it with his own name, wherein he declares it to be the jeu d'esprit of a friend. We cannot say much for the poetry, notwithstanding he has imitated, several of our classical writers.—The Court of King's-Bench has granted a rule, to shew cause why an information should not lie against the author.

978. Directions for impregnating Water with fixed Air; in order to communicate to it the peculiar spirit and virtues of Pyrmont water, and other waters of a similar nature. By Joseph Priestley, L.L. D. F. R. S. 8vo. 22 pages, besides the dedication to Lord Sandwich and an explanatory engraved frontispiece. 1s. Johnson.

Dr. Priestly, in these pages communicates to the public, a process for impregnating water with fixed air; (by means of a simple apparatus, separating it from calcareous earth, by causing the earth to combine with vitriolic acid) which discovery he is of opinion may be attended with general utility, as he conceives that he thus gives the water, or any other fluid he impregnates, the medical properties of Pyrmont and other mineral waters. We beg leave to differ from the Dr. and ascribe the effects of mineral waters to the metallic or earthy salts they contain. Were they owing to fixed air, as this principle is common to all of them, their medical virtues would, of course, be the same, which is far from being the case.—As the author declares his ignorance of the art of physic, we shall pass over his prescriptions, cautioning only the public against the bad consequences which may accrue from the inspiration of fixed air, as arising from fermented liquors or alkalis, during their combination with acids; which application he strongly recommends in exulcerations of the lungs.

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979. *The Economy of Beauty*; in a series of fables: addressed to the ladies. 4to. 112 pages. 5s. 3d. Wilkie.

That personal beauty is, in a high degree, dependent on sentiment and manners,—is the great truth, which these poems are calculated to illustrate and enforce: for they are rather allegorical poems than fables; the outlines of which are sketched from La-Motte. This piece consists of ten fables in different sorts of verse; some in rhyme, and some in blank verse, with notes and engravings to each. Two or three of them are imitations of Gay, and far from poor ones. Indeed, the whole declares the author a man of taste and sentiment, and not unacquainted with the art of poetry.

These fables are ten in number, viz. 1. The looking-glass. 2. the pelican and spider. 3. The doctor. 4. The two lamps. 5. The young eagle. 6. The maggot and the ox. 7. The statues. 8. The lizards. 9. The court of beauty. And, 10. The enchantress. They are chiefly imitated from La-Motte, the celebrated French fabulist, and must be particularly acceptable to the ladies, from the ingenious manner in which the author has exposed the vices that too often deform the softer sex; and from the instructive lessons he lays down, in order to direct them to the temple of the Graces, and make them truly amiable in the different capacities of daughters, wives, and mothers.

Ledger.

980. *The Noble Lovers*; or the history of Lord Emely and Miss Villars: containing some characters of the most celebrated persons in high life. 3 vols. large 12mo. 634 pages. 9s. bound. Bladon.

These volumes have afforded us much pleasure in the reading; they are very entertaining, considered as a novel, and the great variety of characters introduced, renders them interesting. Those made use of are chiefly living ones, and such as are in high life, and the author has been so very plain in his descriptions, that there is little or no occasion for any key to discover the persons hinted at. Upon the whole, we are of opinion they will be received, unless by a certain set of men, who are determined to think favourably of such as are invested with power be their actions right or wrong.

981. *The History of Miss Dorinda Catsby, and Miss Emilia Faulkner*. In a series of letters. 2 vols. large 12mo. 318 pages. 6s. bound. Bladon.

The author of this production does not vary from the usual run of novels, as many of the incidents are truly romantic; yet he has confined his plot to a few characters, and those chiefly worthy ones. The correspondence is in general carried on between the ladies: we are not surprized therefore to find love, dress, amusements, &c. to be the subjects made choice of. The author's design seems principally to entertain, and we may add, it conveys this moral, viz. that a steadiness in the paths of virtue never fails to conduct us to true happiness.

ness. In a word, the style is genteel, and the pages may be read with pleasure.

982. An Essay on the learning of contingent Remainders and executory Devises. By Charles Fearn, of the Inner-Temple, Conveyancer, author of the Legigraphical Chart of Landed Property in England. 8vo. 98 pages, and 8 of contents and preface. 1s. 6d. Uriel.

Very useful to a conveyancer, for whom it is chiefly calculated, the doctrine of contingent estates being the most intricate of all the English laws of property; and it seems here to be tolerably well explained. In this treatise, the doctrine of the judgment delivered by the Court of King's-Bench, in the case of Perrin versus Blake, (since reversed in the Exchequer-Chamber, which reversal is now before the House of Lords) and the principal authorities for and against it are fairly considered.

983. A System of Pleading. Including a translation of the *Doctrina Placitandi*; or the art and science of pleading: originally written by Samuel Euer, Serjeant at Law, and now first translated from the obsolete Norman French. Shewing where, in what cases, and by what persons, pleas, as well personal, or mixed, may be properly pleaded; with references to, and extracts from, the most approved writers on that subject, carefully digested under their proper titles, and brought into one collective point of view. Together with an introduction, explaining the different terms made use of in the proceedings of each respective court; also a preface and table. By a gentleman of the Middle-Temple. 4to. 480 pages, besides preface, introduction, table, &c. 18s. bound. Owen.

The Doctrina Placitandi, on whose basis the superstructure of this work is raised, has long been held in high estimation. Lord Chief Justice Willes scrupled not in open court to declare in 1759, that there is more law and learning in it, than in any book he knew; that it contained the substance of all the pleadings in the year books, and Coke's reports. It consists of heads and rules for pleading in all matters, with such cases and authorities as may be necessary to support and illustrate the arguments made use of. In short, the nature of the work pleads for itself, and its evident utility must recommend it to the study of all such as are called to the bar.

984. Transactions of the American Philosophical Society, held at Philadelphia, for promoting useful Knowledge. Vol. I. from January 1, 1769, to January 1, 1771. 4to. 340 pages, besides 47 of preface, contents, &c. Printed at Philadelphia.

Two societies, having formerly subsisted in Philadelphia, whose views and ends were the same, viz. The advancement of useful knowledge; it was judged that their union would be of public advantage; and they were accordingly united January 2, 1769. This volume is the first of their transactions, which is to be con-

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tinued in the same manner as the philosophical transactions here. The work is divided into four sections, the first of which is astronomical, and among other matters, contains an account of the transit of Venus in 1769, taken at seven different places, with figures. The second section contains matters relative to agriculture; the third and fourth, to mechanics, physic, and other philosophical enquiries. It will be found not only entertaining, but highly improving to the curious mind. The laws and regulations of the society, with a list of their members, are prefixed to this volume.

985. The Annual Register, or a view of the history, politics, and literature, for the year 1771. 8vo. 264 pages, besides contents, &c. 6s. bound. Dodsley.

A very useful remembrancer, too well known to need any recommendation. These volumes, one of which is published every year, in general contain, the history of Europe for the year, the occurrences, the state papers, a number of characters, matters in natural history, useful projects, antiquities, miscellaneous essays, poetry, an account of some books; in short, every thing that is worth preserving.

986. An Essay, explaining the mode of executing a useful work, entituled a new description of England and Wales, as a continuation and illustration of Camden. Small 12mo. 32 pages. 6d. Pearch.

The author of this essay solicits 10 guineas subscription from 300 gentlemen in order to carry on a work on the plan of Camden's Britannia, by enabling an understanding man to take a general tour through England and Wales, make an accurate survey, and collect an exact account, historical, &c. of every place he passes thro'. He thinks a proper person might be found for one guinea per day, who could make this tour in the space of six years; he proposes therefore, that this work be printed in 6 volumes folio, one every year, each volume containing a sixth part of the tour, and be sold for 3 guineas; and says, that if 2000 copies are sold at this price, the subscribers, whom he proposes should be proprietors of the work (himself the secretary) will clear 1000 guineas, and one copy on royal paper for each of themselves. The maps, plates, &c. he hopes will be given by private bounty. However plausible or practicable this scheme may appear to him, it does not so to us. Neither do we think, he will find sufficient public-spirited people to enter into it.

987. A Letter to the Right Rev. Lord Bishop of Rochester, on his late Disposal of the Rectory of Stone, in which the Consistency of his Lordship's Conduct with his Professions will be displayed. By Clericus Rossensis. 8vo. 22 pages. 6d. Baldwin.

Censuring his lordship for having presented a stripling to the valuable rectory of Stone, in preference to any of his chaplains;

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merely, because he was the son of a Baronet, and descended from a Lord, who had been the means of raising him to a Bishopric; especially as he had repeatedly given his clergy to understand that, he looked upon himself only as a trustee for the good of the church, in what he had to dispose of, and that he should always shew a favourable attention to those, who had distinguished themselves by their pastoral labours.

988. Considerations on the Negroe Cause, commonly so called; addressed to the Right Honourable Lord Mansfield, Lord Chief Justice of the Court of King's-Bench, &c. By a West-Indian. 8vo. 46 pages. 1s. Dodsley.

Condemning Lord Mansfield, for his determination in this matter. The author is of opinion, that as the condition of slavery, among negroes, is unknown to the common law of this land, no common law could support that determination, that negroes in this country are free, however reasonable it might be made, by analogy, implication, or construction. He grounds his arguments for Mr. Stewart's claim upon the word property, which is the consequence of trade, and says, that, as the purchase of negroes is secured by the acts of parliament relative to the African company, and considered in every respect as the property of goods and chattels; he had an undoubted right to hold him as a slave; but to remove the idea of slavery from a free country, he wishes a bill was brought into parliament, to make slavery, so far as property is such in negroes, to be held in America, but to prohibit the importation of slaves here.

989. A Defence of the Subscription to the 39 Articles, as it is required in the University of Oxford; occasioned by a late pamphlet, entitled, Reflections on the Impropriety and Inexpediency of Lay-subscription to the 39 Articles, in the University of Oxford. 8vo. 26 pages. 6d. Oxford, printed. Rivington.

A further defence of the University, from the heavy charge of acting unconstitutionally, in requiring lay-subscription. Sensible and pertinent.

990. Candid Thoughts on the late Application of some Protestant Dissenting Ministers to Parliament, for abolishing the the Subscription required of them by the Toleration Act. By an orthodox Dissenter. 8vo. 25 pages. 6d. Goldsmith.

Designed to vindicate the dissenters in general from the charge of not having complied, and not being able, in conscience, to comply with the subscription required by the act of toleration. All they wish, says this author, is to exempt tutors and school-masters, from such subscription, as persons of a different persuasion would be loth to put their children under the care of those, who might be supposed to corrupt them in their religious principles. Very indifferently written.

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991. Thoughts on the Dangers apprehended from Popery and Sectaries, by abolishing Subscription to the 39 articles; in a letter to a friend. To which is added, a letter first published in the General Evening-Post, under the signature of Probus. 8vo. 30 pages. 6d. Wilkie.

In favour of non-subscription; superficial and very little to the purpose. The letter signed Probus, is in answer to the argument, that, if a man bred to the church does not like to subscribe, he is at liberty to pursue some other kind of life.

992. An Address to the serious and candid Professors of Christianity, on the following Subjects, viz. 1. The use of reason in matters of religion. 2. The power of man to do the will of God. 3. Original sin. 4. Election and reprobation. 5. The divinity of Christ. And, 6. Attonement for sin by the death of Christ. Occasioned by an appeal, lately published, on the same subjects. 12mo. 87 pages. 6d. or 5s. per dozen. Buckland.

The manifest design of the appeal, to which this is an answer, is, says the author of the present address, to persuade those among whom it hath been circulated, that they are not, in consequence of the original apostacy become guilty; that Christ is not the person, they have supposed him to be, but a mere man like themselves; that they are not to be saved by his merits, but merely by their own repentance; that as to Christ, he did no more than was his duty to do, and that the doctrine of atonement for sin by his death, is a popish invention. Now this pamphlet is to overturn such erroneous notions, and it is written with a spirit of piety and zeal. The author sets out with saying, he shall think himself obliged to any person who will reprint it, especially in such a manner, as that it may be sold very cheap.

993. A Dissertation on the Millennium. 8vo. 45 pages. 1s. Horsfield.

After entering into the origin of this doctrine, and laying before us the opinions of ancient writers upon the subject, the author of this dissertation, (much more rational than any of his predecessors) proceeds to give us his own, which, he says, is not built upon mere conjecture, but upon a critical examination of the various passages wherein it is mentioned, as well in scripture, as otherwise. His opinion is, that nothing more is meant, than, that, after a certain period, the enemies of Christ being destroyed, and the power of Satan restrained, the church shall enjoy, for a determined time, an uninterrupted peace: that is, mahometanism will be extirpated, popery reformed, and the whole church in general, both in manners and discipline, will enjoy a more than primitive purity. This pamphlet cannot be read but by a scholar, the author having introduced a number of Greek and Latin passages, without translating them.

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994. Sermons to Tradesmen. Small 12mo. writing paper. 76 pages. 1s. Cadell.

Consisting of two discourses pleasingly written, but not so well adapted to the meridian of the pulpit. The one, on the criminality of thirsting after riches; the text, Prov. xxiii. 4. Labour not to be rich. The other, on the ruin attendant upon idleness; the text, Romans xii. 11. Be not slothful in business.

995. A Sermon preached in the Parish Church of Kelvedon, at the Visitation of the Rev. Dr. Powell, on Tuesday, June 2, 1772. By Christopher Wyvill, LL. B. Rector of Black Notley, in Essex. 4to. 12 pages. 6d. Bladon.

The design of this sermon is to shew that as the truth of the gospel is confirmed by satisfactory proof; that as the purest precepts of morality are there delivered with perspicuity, and that as our obedience is secured by the strongest sanctions of future reward and punishment; christianity is a religion adapted to all capacities, and supplies the world with what is evidently wanted, a clear and complete revelation of the will of God. This is tolerably well made out, but the language is laboured and stiff. The text is, Matt. xi. 5. The poor have the gospel preached unto them.

996. Genuine Letters from a Gentleman to a young Lady, his Pupil, calculated to form the taste, regulate the judgment, and improve the morals. Now first revised and published with notes and illustrations. By Thomas Hull, of the Theatre-Royal, in Covent-Garden. 2 vols. large 12mo. 739 pages, besides 24 of preface and subscribers names. 7s. bound. Bell.

These letters have all the appearances possible of being genuine. They were written between the years 1739 and 1744, and are the productions of a very ingenious and learned divine of Oxford, who died in the year 1744; who, while he lived, was an ornament to his profession, and one of the most eminent men in the University. They roll upon various subjects, but principally upon authors, the beauties or defects of which are occasionally pointed out, with many observations we do not recollect to have seen before. Some of the letters are, indeed, too trifling for the public eye, being written to a child of ten years old; but as his pupil grew in years, his manner of writing proportionably improved, by which means, the reader will find in the second volume, ample satisfaction for any he may miss, in the first. We beg leave to recommend these volumes as a proper present for youth, in the time of education, they containing not only remarks upon our best writers, but a number of moral lessons calculated to improve the mind in virtue.

997. The Ordinary of Newgate's Account of the Behaviour, &c. of Joseph Guyant and Joseph Allpress, for robbing the Mail; of William Siday, William Paris, John Adthead and Benjamin Allsworth, for Burglary, who were executed July 8, 1772. 4to. 16 pages. 6d. Lewis.

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As we observed before, these periodical papers do not answer the design proposed. Never were worse accounts than at present. In this, little or nothing is said of the criminals; it being made up with a heap of trumpery verses, made by Paris and Siday during their confinement.

998. The New Foundling Hospital for Wit. Being a collection of curious pieces in verse and prose, several of which were never before printed. By Sir C. Hanbury Williams, Lords Chesterfield, Delawar, Bath, Hardwicke, Carlisle, Lyttleton, Harvey and Capel, Lady M. W. Montague, C. Yorke, H Walpole, C. Morris, Sir Joseph Mawbey, T. Potter, C. Townshend, Soame Jenyns, Dr. King, Dr. Armstrong, C. Anstey, Churchill, Garrick, Thornton, Lloyd, Colman, and others. Adorned with a curious frontispiece. Part V. 12mo. 176 pages. 2s. 6d. sewed. Almon.

A continuation of a work begun in the year 1768; in which there are some pieces of wit and satire, worth preserving, and others of no wit or satire, and not worth keeping. We are persuaded many are attributed to those who never wrote them.

999. A Sermon preached to a Congregation of Protestant Dissenters at Crutched-Friars; occasioned by the Denial of Relief, respecting Subscription to the Articles of the Church of England. By E. Radcliff. 8vo. 32 pages, and 8 of dedication. 6d. Dornville.

Sensible, warm, and spirited; in favour of non-subscription. Dedicated to the Duke of Richmond. The text, Acts, v. 29. Then Peter and the other Apostles answered and said, we ought to obey God, rather than Men.

1000. Remarks on the Postscript to the Case of the Dissenting Ministers, by Israel Mauduit; in a letter to that Gentleman. Being a full and faithful representation of the proceedings of those ministers, as to the late application to parliament. By a firm friend to truth, liberty, and charity. 8vo. 32 pages. 6d. Bladon.

Mr. Mauduit having published the proceedings of the dissenting ministers in their application to parliament, the author of this pamphlet, charges him with writing those proceedings from information only, and that consequently he has given the public an erroneous account, and concludes with saying, that the business with respect to parliament, has been conducted in a very imprudent and irregular manner.

1001. The Doctrine of Atonement briefly considered; in a series of letters to a young gentleman at the University. To which is added Dr. Duchal's letter to Dr. Taylor, on the same subject. By William Graham, M. A. 8vo. 103 pages. 1s. 6d. Printed for the author. Johnson.

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A warm, spirited performance, designed to shew, what is meant by the satisfaction of Christ; that the sentiments of orthodoxy, on this subject, are not the sentiments of the new testament; as such, how they came to prevail so much; and what are the natural and probable consequences of them. In discussing this matter, which Mr. Graham has done in a familiar, masterly manner, tho' his arguments are, by no means, wholly conclusive, he gives it as his opinion, that nothing is meant by satisfaction, but obedience; that, considering it in the sense, the calvinists use it, is entertaining unworthy notions of our Creator; that God will forgive sin, upon repentance, without any satisfaction; that what Christ did and suffered, did not procure us mercy, but was only declarative of it; that as it was the gracious plan of Providence to enlighten and reform the world, our Saviour appeared in it, with no other view, but to execute that plan. In pursuance of which, many scenes of adversity and many trials were necessary to be gone through; suffering therefore in such circumstances, as it gives us the highest idea of the sufferer, is also the noblest recommendation of religion and virtue, he sealing, as it were, the truth of what he taught, by his blood. Dr. Duchal's letter contains nearly the same sentiments. It was first printed in the Theological repository, No. iv. vol. 2, page 328.

1002. A Free Inquiry into the Origin, Progress, and Present State of Pluralities. By W. Pennington. 8vo. 297 pages, and 24 of preface. 4s. sewed. White.

We have here a tolerable account of the rise of pluralities, from the earliest ages to the present time; in which the author shews us, that pluralism, as now, was ever a bone of contention among the clergy. As, in treating upon the subject, he avows his design of striking at the root of it, he, like a fair historian, gives us every argument that has been brought in favour of it, and then takes off these arguments in a conclusive manner. We regret that he has not enlivened the work more with facts and anecdotes, which we are persuaded he might readily have done, for, being little more than dry narrative, it rather tires than delights the reader. In the course of the pages, he brings his authorities for what he advances; and towards the end of them, bears hard upon our present bishops and pluralists. One thing he tells us, which is very remarkable and scarcely to be credited, that estates in this kingdom of no less a value than 80,000l. per annum, are left to the support of religious houses and seminaries abroad; and wishes that, as these estates are justly forfeited, the parliament would address the crown upon the subject, and apply them with the royal bounty, towards the augmentation of small livings.

1003. A calm and plain Answer to the Enquiry, Why are you a Dissenter from the Church of England? Containing some remarks on its doctrine, spirit, constitution, and some of its offices

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offices and forms of devotion. By the author of the *Dissenting Gentleman's Letters to White*. Being a summary view of the arguments contained in those letters. 8vo. 72 pages. 1s. Buckland.

A concise, plain, well-written and honest declaration, why the author of this tract dissents from the established church of England. Such as are unacquainted with the dissenters principles, will here find a satisfactory account of them, and penned with calmness, moderation, and piety. To this piece is added an appendix of 10 pages, warmly inveighing against the memo y of Charles II. and charging him with treachery and ingratitude, for giving birth to the act of uniformity, which deprived two thousand clergy of their livings, on account of presbyterianism, when the restoration was brought about solely by presbyterians; and they had it in their power, if they pleased, to obtain a real security, to, what they call, a religious and civil liberty.

1004. *Friendly Remarks, occasioned by the Spirit and Doctrines contained in the Rev. Mr. Fletcher's Vindication; and more particularly in his Second Check to Antinomianism. To which is added, a Postscript, occasioned by his Third Check. In a letter to the author: By ***** *****, A. M.* 8vo. 71 pages. 1s. Dilly. *Vide* articles, 711, 840, 769.

We must be so frank as to declare, that we are quite tired of this controversy; and have no doubt but the public are the same. This is the production of one, who has not, till now, written upon the subject, and as he preaches among Mr. Wesley's people, he is sorry to differ from that teacher, in his principles: But, as Mr. Wesley avows his minutes, and Mr. Fletcher proceeds to vindicate them, tho' at the same time, he throws his friend in the dirt, he finds himself obliged to withdraw from them both, and gives his reasons here for so doing. What these are, is immaterial to thousands; such as are desirous of knowing, will, of course, apply to the tract.

1005. *A Letter to Dr. Cadogan, with remarks on the most interesting paragraphs in his Treatise on the Gout; in which the immediate cause of a fit of the gout is proved both from observation and experiment, with the reasons assigned, Why the gout prevails now, more than it did some years ago. By Daniel Smith.* 8vo. 68 pages. 1s. 6d. Carnan and Newbery.

The author of these sheets being early afflicted with the gout, from dear-bought experience and a careful attention to his own ease, during his sufferings under that disease, endeavours to prove, that many passages in Dr. Cadogan's treatise are exceptionable and false. He first attacks the Doctor on the inconsistency of his supposing that man was ever subjected to a disease for which there was not a specific cure provided; and he shews that the Doctor is, at least, mis-

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taken in the present case, as he has been lucky enough to find out an external application, which has never failed in the most obstinate attacks, to give immediate relief and perfectly remove the fit. But what this is, he does not mention. He accounts for the gout, by an accumulation of alkaline and calcareous matters, which, by experiment, he endeavours to prove, abound in the juices of gouty patients more at present, than it did among our forefathers; which he ascribes entirely to want of proper exercise. He differs from most authors, in alledging that the ancients generally gave greater way to luxury and excess than the moderns.

1006. A Treatise on the Diseases of Infants and Children. 8vo: 258 pages. 3s. bound. Johnston.

The writer of this tract, takes in the whole of the diseases to which we are particularly subjected in our earlier years, and is as systematical in the performance as the nature of the work will admit of, arranging them in the order in which they most generally occur. He first describes the disease, and from a theory, apparently supported by an extensive practice, and regular education, lays down a mode of practice, which from its simplicity, elegance and justness, we venture to say, is exceeded by few of his predecessors, and is well worthy the attention of such as are particularly conversant in the treatment of children.

1007. The Noble Cuckolds; or the Pleasures of a single Life, and the Miseries of Matrimony. Occasionally published upon the many divorces lately granted by parliament, betwixt noble personages. By the Rt. Hon. Lord — — —. To which is added, addressed to the unmarried of both sexes, the Contrast. Being a parallel between Courtship and Matrimony. 8vo. 32 pages, and 8 of introduction, 6d. Barber, Newcastle.

This publication is sullied by its title, for it deserves a better. It consists of a poem in heroic verse, wherein the eagerness of men to get married and the modern consequences are feelingly described, by one who seems to have experienced them. We cannot say much for the poetry, there are a great many bad lines in the course of it, and some exceeding good ones. The contrast is in prose, and is the opinion of a sensible lady, in company, respecting the conduct of people both before and after marriage. 'Tis short, but it contains some good observations and very wholesome advice.

1008. Candid Reflections upon the Judgement lately awarded by the Court of King's-Bench, in Westminster-Hall, on what is commonly called the Negroe-Cause. By a Planter. 8vo. 76 pages. 1s. 6d. Lowndes.

Sensible and pertinent. This writer sets out with saying that the judgement give in the negroe-cause by Lord Mansfield, is far from giving any disgust to the West-India planters residing here, but they wish he had extatiated more upon the grounds whereon it stood. He then proceeds to point out some of the many inconveniencies

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niencies which may result from the now-established doctrine, in respect to negroes accidentally coming into the kingdom; to mention some of the reasons which have led the planters to suppose, that their negroes were not entituled to a remedy by habeas corpus, in the unlimited sense now declared; to shew that they are not culpable for having in several instances sought to repossess their fugitive slaves; to demonstrate the necessity there now is for the interposition of parliament, not to overthrow, but to regulate this law dictum, and render it more conformable to the principles of British commerce; and concludes with saying, he is satisfied the colony negroes do not feel those hardships under their servitude, which have here been supposed; and that latitude of emancipation, with respect to that class of people is incompatible with the spirit of English commerce.

1009. *Commentaries on the Principles and Practice of Physic; illustrated by pathological tables and practical cases. Being an attempt on a new plan, to connect the several branches of medicine, and to place the practice of it on a rational and solid foundation. To which is prefixed an essay on the education and duties of medical men. By James Makittrick, M. D. Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians at Edinburgh. 8vo. 605 pages, besides 44 of preface and introduction. 6s. Becket and Co.*

The author of this work, in his essay on the education and duties of medical men, (which is to be found in his introduction) lays down some rules of conduct, which are truly worthy the attention of such as act in any of the medical departments. His plan, in treating on the practice of physic is systematical and new. In the management of his subject, he has chosen the form of propositions, to which he has subjoined remarks; and has given us some well-digested, and well-arranged tables of the genera and species of diseases, according to their nature, their producing causes, and method of cure; after the manner of Sauvage. And, we presume, it will meet the approbation of the faculty in general; tho' the work is particularly addressed to pupils in physic, and is the substance of what was intended as a course of lectures, to be read by the author in the University of Dublin. Indeed, it is yet incomplete, this being only the first volume; it contains however, a tolerable system of physiology and pathology, intimately connected with, and constantly referring to, and explaining, nosology and practice.

1010. *Cupid's Revenge; an Arcadian Pastoral: as it is performed at the Theatre-Royal, Hay-market. The music by Mr. Hook. 8vo. 39 pages. 1s. Bell.*

As the beauty of these pieces depend chiefly upon the music and representation, it will be sufficient to our readers in the country, to say, it is a pretty piece, pleasingly written, and above the common run of burlettas; such as are in town have, no doubt, either seen, or received a satisfactory account of it, from their friends.

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1011. A Review of the Poem, entituled *The Senators*: or a Re-examination into the Merits of the principal Performers of St. Stephen's Chapel. Part I. 4to. 25 pages. 1s. 6d. Wilkie.

Not to be read after The Senators. Tho' not destitute of Ingenuity.

1012. An Enquiry into the Scripture-meaning of the Word *Satan*, and its synonymous Terms, the Devil, or the Adversary, and the Wicked-one. Wherein the Notions concerning Devils or Demons are brought down to the Standard of Scripture. The whole interspersed with Remarks on various Terms, Passages, and Phrases in the Old and New Testaments; and undertaken with a View to illustrate the Scriptures, and to separate the Word of God from the Doctrines and Traditions of Men. 8vo. 77 pages, and 40 of introductory remarks. 2s. 6d. Wheelble.

The author of this enquiry, which is ingenious and critical, tells us that it is set on foot with more views than one; as, that if it should detect a prevailing error, more or less supported by all systems of divinity, it will point out the danger of an implicit faith, and may induce many to read the scriptures more attentively. It will also obviate the difficulties we meet with in holy writ, which he says arise from mis-translation, pre-conceived opinion, and wrong ideas. This tract is only the beginning of a work, which he intends to go thro' with, provided it meets with a favourable reception. His enquiry here turns merely on the meaning of the word Satan, as it occurs in the Old Testament, and which is to be found only in four places, viz. I. Chron. chap. xxi. Job. chap. i. and ii. Psalm cix. and Zech. chap. iii. In all which, he has laboured to make it appear, that Satan is a figurative expression, implying adversary or enemy, that it never denoted a fallen angel, or a real, evil separate spirit.

1013. A Vindication of the Protestant Dissenting Ministers, with Regard to their late Application to Parliament. By Andrew Kippis, D.D. 8vo. 108 pages. 1s. 6d. Robinson.

The public have here a more faithful account of the proceedings of the committee appointed for conducting the late application to parliament, (Dr. Kippis being one of them) and of their motives for such application, than any yet published.

1014. An Essay upon the Cultivation of the Lands, and Improvements of the Revenues of Bengal. By Henry Pattullo, Esq. 4to. 34 pages. 1s. 6d. Becket and Co.

As the writer of this tract seems to be an understanding man, and to have touched upon such subjects as, if properly attended to, would conduce to the advantage of England, and improvement of Bengal. We beg leave to recommend the perusal of it, to the Legislative Power and the East-India Company in particular.

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1015. Dawson's Translation of the 4th and 5th Chapters of Genesis. *Vide* articles, 580, 950.

This author discovers much ingenuity and learning, and has performed his task with strict care and attention. Monthly Review.

1016. Letters from Elizabeth Sophia de Valiere to her Friend Louisa Hortensia de Canteleu. By Madame Riccoboni. Translated from the French, by Mr. Maceuen. 12mo. 2 vols. 6s. bound. Becket. 1771.

The public has been, for some years, indebted to this agreeable writer, for several ingenious performances, and for none more entertaining than the present letters. They are conceived with much art and sensibility; they abound with excellent observations on manners and life; and they discover a penetration which can never be exerted but by those who have mixed much in society. The characters she draws are sufficiently pointed and striking; and the incidents she produces have their foundation in nature, and charm by the surprize they excite. The mind, moved and agitated, is conscious of the impressions she meant to communicate. We experience all the little suspicions, all the tender anxieties, all the bewitching uneasiness, attendant on love. The work throughout is a beautiful display of judgment, passion and fancy. We cannot say much for the translator, he not comprehending always the meaning of the original, and no where conveying it with propriety or force.

Monthly Review.

These letters appear to be the genuine emanations of a mind endued with great sensibility, and strongly agitated with the disastrous events of fortune. Being dictated by the heart, they are calculated to interest the passions, and exclusive of the sympathetic emotions excited by incidents of an affecting nature, and which are described with energy, the attention of the reader is engaged in the perusal of them by an almost uninterrupted profusion of ingenious sentiments. The style, tho' generally animated, is scarcely ever chargeable with affectation; and the characters are strongly marked in natural and discriminating colours. They seem to be translated with freedom, and, at the same time, with fidelity; and will afford agreeable amusement to such readers as can relish the more serious and sentimental kind of novels. We are even of opinion, that those, who can peruse these letters, without being greatly agitated by several passages, must be void of sensibility.

Critical Review.

Few performances of this class can boast an equal degree of merit with the present performance. The story is interesting, the sentiments are striking, and the expression has elegance and propriety: but the translator has not been able to do justice to his original. All these advantages disappear in his version.

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1017. Comber's real Improvements in Agriculture. *Vide* art. 860.

A valuable tract, of extensive importance, calculated for universal observation and benefit. Monthly Review.

The author of this letter specifies the various considerations which ought to be attended to for the purpose of carrying agriculture to the highest degree of perfection. His remarks are sensible and just, and it would tend to the interest not only of the landlord and tenant, but to the public in general, if the improvements he suggests were adopted. Critical Review.

1018. An Appeal to Common-sense, in Behalf of Religion. *Vide* articles, 380, 719.

Dr. Oswald, the author of these volumes, appears in the agreeable light of a serious and candid enquirer after truth, and seems extremely desirous of promoting the interests of religion and virtue. The design and plan of his work are excellent; and tho' many of his readers will undoubtedly differ from him in the application of his general principles to some particular points, yet, we are persuaded, that every competent judge of the subject will look upon the appeal as a work well calculated to bring scepticism and infidelity into discredit, with the sober and thinking part of mankind, and will be glad to see the author's plan completed. Monthly Review.

1019. Sentimental Fables. *Vide* article, 745.

Ingenious, pleasing, and affecting. Monthly Review.

1020. The Tour of Holland, Dutch Brabant, &c. *Vide* art. 852.

Written in a free, easy, epistolary manner. It gives an entertaining and instructive account of a variety of objects in the towns and countries, thro' which the author passed; and will, we apprehend, prove a very agreeable amusement to those who peruse it.

Monthly Review.

This piece has been attributed to the pen of Philip Thicknесс, Esq. but we have his authority to assure the public, that he neither knows the author, or, had the least concern in it. Universal Cat.

1021. Falconer's Observations on Cadogan. *Vide* articles, 238, 354, 470.

A critical, but, at the same time, a very temperate and candid analysis of Dr. Cadogan's celebrated dissertation. The whole is pertinent, and deserves attention. Monthly Review.

1022. Hermas. *Vide* articles, 256, 336.

This long poem has nothing to recommend it but an apparent pious design. The language is ungrammatical, the poetry miserable.

Monthly Review.

Hermas, is by no means deserving the above censure.

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1023. Poems, with a dramatic Entertainment. By *****. 4to. 10s. 6d. Dodsley. 1771.

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These poems were written by a lady, (we have heard a Mrs. Penny) and do honour to her genius and good sense.

1024. The Christiad. *Vide* article, 8.
Scaliger was not mistaken, when he observed that this poem was written with the bombast of Lucan. It has done the name of Vida, but little honour; and, under the disadvantages of this translation, he suffers still more. It is a kind of history of the life of Christ. Monthly Review.

1025. Poems, Songs, and Sonnets; together with a Mask. By Thomas Carew, Esq. one of the Gentlemen of the Privy Chamber, and Sewer in Ordinary to Charles I. 12mo. 3s. Davies. 1771.

Carew was not the most miserable rhymers of his day; but he does not appear to invalidate the observation of Pope, that

————— “ in all Charles’s days
 “ Rescommon only, boasts unspotted bays.”

There are many indecent passages in his poems, and more affectation and conceit, than genuine wit. Monthly Review.

1026. Jenner’s Town Eclogues. *Vide* article, 749.
The best of these Eclogues is the Court-chaplain’s first expedition to London, which is humourously described, but it soon falls off; and a heaviness, insipidity, and want of taste, prevail thro’ the poems in general. Monthly Review.

1027. Fletcher’s piscatory Eclogues. *Vide* article, 582.
Phitrebas Fletcher was a man of fine taste, and possessed the genuine enthusiasm of poetry; and many of his eclogues are beautiful and picturesque. Monthly Review.

1028. Love in the Suds. *Vide* article, 977.
When impudent slander invades the province of just satire, the only court of criticism to which its virulent productions are properly amenable, is a court of law. Monthly Review.

It would be injustice not to remark of this publication, that it abounds with wit and the most pointed satire. The author appears to be an elegant scholar, and to possess a happy talent for poetry.

Universal Mag.

A severe satire against somebody; but we are sorry to see so many good verses bestowed upon so many bad subjects.

Lond. Magazine.

1029. The present State of the Nation. A poem. *Vide* articles, 600, 808.

It is pity this gentleman’s muse did not take him at his word when he thus addressed her, p. 51,

“ Thou muse, be dumb; restrain the ardent fire,

“ Nor me mislead into a premunire.”

The muse, perhaps, was affronted at so singular a mode of invocation,

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tation, and so, out of revenge, went rhyming on, in this strange manner, merely to punish her untoward votary.

Monthly Review.

1030. Fingal, rendered into verse. *Vide* article, 598.

Amidst a multitude of cold and prosaic lines, we find some in it that breathe the spirit of poetry: but on the whole, we would not encourage this versifier to proceed in his poetical labours. The virgins whom he courts, are distant and coy ladies, and yield not to the assiduities of every importunate suitor. Monthly Review,

Ossian is here considered as a regular poet; and his rhapsodies are rendered into rhyme. But in this form they acquire no additional value. We abandon, without regret, those works which are destitute of invention and genius. Universal Mag.

1031. The Cooper. A musical entertainment. *Vide* article, 878.

Well enough in the Hay-market, but less tolerable in the perusal, Monthly Review.

1032. Moore's practical Navigator. *Vide* article, 578.

A complete, intelligible, useful system of practical navigation. The author has omitted nothing which is essential to the subject; and has furnished instructions and tables, by means of which, every case that can occur in the business of a seaman, may be easily solved. A book of this kind is very proper for those who wish to learn navigation without entering deeply into the mathematical principles upon which this art depends; and must be serviceable both to teachers and to actual practitioners.

Monthly Review,

1033. Bromehead's Oration on public Infirmaries. *Vide* articles, 412, 533.

The advantage which accrues from public infirmaries is so very obvious, that the sitting down seriously to prove their utility, is exactly such a task as the collecting arguments on the certainty of death. But this author is not more unfortunate in his subject, than in his manner of treating it: for altho' his oration contains some proper encomiums on that particular institution, which is the subject of his performance, with a just tribute of praise to the memory of Dr. Radcliffe, yet it is chiefly composed of the usual trite remarks on benevolence, arrayed in the foppery of declamation.

Monthly Review.

1034. A Course of Chemistry, divided into 24 Lectures, formerly given by the learned Dr. Henry Pemberton, Professor of Physic at Gresham College, Fellow of the Royal Society, and of that of Berlin. Now first published, from the Author's Manuscript, by James Wilson, M. D. 8vo. 5s. Nourse. 1771.

This is a very valuable course of lectures; and Dr. Wilson has done

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done a very acceptable service to the chemical world in making them public. Monthly Review.

1035. A Grammar of the English Language, intended for the Use of young Gentlemen and Ladies, pass'd the first Principles of Learning. By Mark-Anthony Meilan, private Teacher of the English Language. 12mo. 1s. 6d. Wheble.

The end of grammar is perspicuity, but this is perfectly cabalistical. Monthly Review.

1036. Benezet's historical Account of Guinea. *Vide* articles, 576, 832.

Wholly collected, and not injudiciously, from a considerable variety of authors, and intended to shew both the iniquity of the slave-trade, and of our enslaving the negroes, &c. in our colonies. Monthly Review.

1037. Trifles. *Vide* articles, 875, 976.

An odd medley of indifferent poetry and inelegant prose; of dulness and humour; of sense and absurdity: and is, for the most part, both frivolous and tedious. Monthly Review.

Nonsense.

Very properly named. Trifling and idle, in a very high degree. Brit. Magazine.

One of those brilliant, empty bubbles, that float upon the surface of literature. This author affects to be a humourist, and to follow the path of that great master of humour, Dr. Arbuthnot; but he follows him truly haud passibus æquis. His pieces are written in the ludicrous style, and his poems are frequently obscene. In short, it is a work which can neither instruct the head nor improve the heart. Universal Mag.

Lond. Magazine.

1038. Baretti's Introduction to the European Languages. *Vide* articles, 573, 827.

Well adapted for the purpose designed. Monthly Review.

1039. Calculations for the Use of provident Societies. Containing 408 pages, besides 128 of preface, introduction, &c. *Vide* article, 609.

There is hardly a member of any of the benefit societies, who will not be able to judge for himself, by the assistance of these calculations, as to the insufficiency and injustice of the plans on which they were first established. The author has taken immense pains to render this work universally intelligible; and it may be considered as a very important and useful performance.

Monthly Review.

1040. Nelme's Essay towards an Investigation of Language, &c. *Vide* articles, 429, 721.

It must be acknowledged this author possesses very extraordinary talents for etymological discoveries. He enters into the structure of

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of every word and letter with most astonishing minuteness, and finds out mysteries in language which were never thought of in its original formation.—According to this author, the two essential forms, whence the elements of all letters are derived, are the line, I, and the circle, O. These two characters combined, express the idea of all in a variety of languages; and therefore all men, in all ages, ever had, and cannot but have, precisely the same ideas of them. These forms, with their derivatives, make up the thirteen radical symbols, which are to be the foundation of an universal character and language.

Monthly Review.

1041. Calendars of the ancient Charters. *Vide* articles, 741, 825.

This work may be useful to future antiquaries and historians. The introduction appears to be exceedingly accurate, and is drawn up by a person, particularly conversant in the history of Great-Britain.

Monthly Review.

In all appearance, carefully collected, and containing several articles that may afford information to all who are employed in making researches into the history and antiquities of Great-Britain.

EveryMan's Mag.

1042. The Case of the Dissenting Ministers. Addressed to the Lords spiritual and temporal. By Israel Mauduit. To which is added, a Copy of a Bill proposed for their Relief. 8vo. 1s. Wilkie. 1771.

When the dissenting ministers lately applied to parliament for relief in the matter of subscription, Mr. Mauduit, who distinguished himself by his zeal and activity in promoting their cause, drew up this pamphlet, which, at first, was privately distributed to several members of the legislature, and to other persons. It hath been since published, and contains a judicious and spirited defence of the application; the various objections to which, are refuted with great strength of reason and language. At the conclusion of the third edition, Mr. Mauduit, whose talents have been well approved on former occasions, has added a complete vindication of the dissenting clergy from the charge of deism, which had been wantonly and groundlessly thrown out against them.

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Mr. Mauduit here takes up the cause of the dissenters, and endeavours to shew the unreasonableness of enforcing subscription upon them, and suffering the penal statutes, relative to it, to remain in force against them. To this tract is subjoined a postscript, containing some account of the proceedings of the dissenting ministers, with regard to their late application to parliament.

Critical Review.

1043. Remarks on Mr. Mauduit's Postscript. *Vide* article, 1000.
This writer, who very minutely examines Mr. Mauduit's account

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count of the proceedings of the dissenting ministers, is of opinion, that their late application to parliament had originally but a very feeble foundation, if any at-all: that it has been conducted in a very imprudent and irregular manner; that, whether we consider ministers or people, it is a business in which the body of dissenters are very far from being united; and that, if providence does not kindly interpose, it may be productive of various disagreements and pernicious consequences; not to affirm that it has been so already.

Critical Review.

1044. A Letter to the Dissenting Ministers. *Vide* articles, 885-955.

This performance is of so mixed a nature, that it is difficult to give an exact and proper description of its character. It is written in a manner remarkably soft and specious, and contains great professions of respect for the persons to whom it is addressed, but, at the same time, a considerable degree of severity. Insinuations are thrown out much to the prejudice of the dissenting ministers; insinuations that they indulge a dangerous latitude of sentiment, that they deny the fundamental doctrines of christianity, that they have departed from protestantism, and are influenced by motives of ambition. The composition of this letter is perspicuous and elegant, and it is probably the production of some dignitary of our established church.

Monthly Review.

1045. An Answer to a Pamphlet, entitled, *Reflexions on the Impropriety, &c. of Lay-subscription, &c.* *Vide* article, 771.

Authority, we perceive, to be an argument of great weight with some members of the University of Oxford; for we can see little else that is urged in favour of lay-subscription by this superficial writer.

1046. Whitefield's Works. *Vide* article, 747.

Mr. Whitefield's literary correspondence furnish a number of particulars which will at once entertain and edify those who are not merely his readers, but his followers also. In his sermons we perceive very few of those peculiar flights of fancy and strong touches of tabernacle oratory, which so richly abounded in a late volume of his discourses. They are, indeed, for the most part, such discourses as might be expected from a sober, sensible, and pious calvinistical preacher. With respect to their authenticity, we see no room to question it. Mr. Whitefield's life is not to be found in these volumes. It is since published in one volume, 8vo.

Monthly Review.

1047. Sullivan, on the Feudal Law. *Vide* articles, 897, 907.

The principal merit of the present performance is, that the author has been sensible of the excellence of the historical method of investigation, and has uniformly pursued it in every part of his treatise. Persuaded that the feudal customs are the real source from

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from which we must derive our present jurisprudence, he gives a comprehensive view of that ancient polity tracing its origin, with its various changes, revolutions, and improvements from its first appearance in the wilds of Germany, to the final establishment of our glorious constitution. As these lectures were designed for the instruction of youth, our author sets out upon the supposition, that his pupils are totally ignorant of the topics he is to handle. He thus lays down the first principles with the utmost perspicuity, and advances by steps which can present no difficulty even to the most feeble and least penetrating mind. Tho' it may seem therefore calculated principally for the use of gentlemen and scholars, yet those who mean to study the law as a profession, will find themselves amply repaid for the time and attention they may bestow upon this performance. So great is the light which is thrown upon the present state of every great point of law, that he who has diligently followed Dr. Sullivan's course of lectures, will understand one half of the most abstruse systems, before he opens the books in which they are contained.

Critical Review.

1048. De Guys's sentimental Journey thro' Greece, *Vide* article, 896.

In this sentimental journey, the manners and customs of the ancient and modern Greeks are both presented to our view. As a minute and authentic narrative of the latter, this work cannot fail of affording much rational entertainment; and every classical reader must be highly pleased with the parallel which the author has drawn between the present state and that of the illustrious remote ages of those people. The manners of the ancient Greeks are more agreeably elucidated in the letters of M. de Guys, than in all the laborious researches of those who have written on that subject; and there is this additional circumstance in favour of his representation, that it is entirely copied from nature.

Critical Review.

There is no speculation more curious, than the tracing of manners to their source. M. de Guys, in examining the usages of the modern Greeks in the departments of public and private life, perpetually carries back his attention to the most ancient times. We see the resemblance between the past and the present; and we are delighted with observing those variations which a difference of situation, and which time and accident are fitted to produce in the condition of nations. The work is, at the same time, learned and entertaining; addresses itself to the philosopher and the man of taste, and is acceptable to both.

Universal Mag.

1049. Priestley, on Vision, &c. *Vide* articles, 369, 549.

In the course of this ingenious treatise on optics, the learned author has traced thro' successive periods, from the earliest times, the various discoveries and improvements relating to that important science. The nature of vision, light, &c. are here explained in

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a clear and comprehensive manner, rendered easy to be understood by those, who are but little acquainted with mathematical investigation; and at the same time sufficiently consistent with the theory, to satisfy even the most scrupulous. For these reasons, we think, Dr. Priestley need not be under any sort of doubt with regard to the reception his work will meet with; the merit of such a performance must, in our opinion, undoubtedly recommend it to the favour of those who are lovers of this kind of knowledge:

Critical Review.

1050. Hurd, on the Prophecies: *Vide* articles, 411, 621.

This series of lectures does not contain, what some readers may probably expect, a complete investigation of all the principal texts of scripture, relative to antichrist, or the man of sin; but is only a preliminary course calculated to prepare and facilitate the execution of the main design, which is, to interpret and apply particular prophecies. Dr. Hurd has displayed many unquestionable proofs of his ingenuity and learning in the course of them; and we are sorry, that the conditions of his nomination will not allow him to proceed; for by the founder's desire, no one person is to preach more than twelve times.

Critical Review.

1051. Ruffel's Elements of Painting with Crayons. *Vide* article, 781.

This work consists of six sections; viz. Concerning taste.—Of drawing.—Of the application of the crayons, with some previous dispositions.—Of drapery.—Of the materials.—Of rolling the crayons and disposing them for painting. It is useful, written in a clear style, and the particulars intended to be explained, are expressed with great perspicuity.

Critical Review.

1052. Synopsis Nosologiæ Methodicæ. In usum studiosorum. Editio altera. In quarta parte emendata; et adjunctis morborum speciebus aucta. A Gulielmo Cullen. 8vo. 6s. Murray. 1771.

This work was undertaken from a desire of furnishing the students of physic with a more accurate knowledge of diseases than could be acquired from the descriptions of them generally delivered in books. In this volume, Dr. Cullen has compiled the treatises written by Linnæus, Vogel and Sauvages, on the subject of methodical nosology; the two former of which he has preserved entire, but the latter he has considerably altered. Almost half the volume, however, is employed on a system digested by the Doctor himself; in which he has endeavoured to correct the errors, and supply the defects of former writers. The diseases, without doubt, are more properly arranged in this synopsis, than in the work of Sauvages; and as Dr. Cullen has also rejected many superfluous distinctions of that author, this publication merits notice.

Critical Review.

1053. The Life and extraordinary Adventures, the Perils, and No. VIII. M m cri-

critical Escapes of Timothy Ginnadrake, that Child of chequer'd Fortune. 3 vols. 12mo. 10s. 6d. Doddsley. 1771.

We cannot do the author before us the honour to rank him among that class of writers who are deserving of approbation. Tho' his chief design seems to have been that of making us laugh innocently, at least, if not profitably; his stories are uninteresting, and told but indifferently; so that if we at all indulge our risibility, it is more on account of the whimsical situations in which we sometimes find his Hero, than on any other. These adventures are said to be founded on fact, which is with us no addition to the merit of the performance; as the adventures of a musician, who was chiefly interested in concerts and benefit-nights, are too trifling for us to recommend. The 3d volume, which is a separate publication, contains a concise account of Bath, from the year 1670, to the present time, with the improvements it has undergone; and as such may prove agreeable to that part of its readers, who interest themselves in the revolutions which, from time to time, take place in that mart of gaiety and amusement.

Critical Review.

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1054. Harwood's five Dissertations. *Vide* article, 886.

The author of these dissertations is a sanguine advocate for what he apprehends to be a rational religion. He explodes, with a peculiar warmth and energy of language, the mysteries, which are received by those who think themselves orthodox believers. However, these dissertations display a great deal of critical learning, and cannot fail of being acceptable to the friends of free enquiry, and to the lovers and encouragers of sacred literature.

Critical Review.

If a rational religion be an object that deserves our investigation, we think the writer may merit some attention; yet he should be read with caution, and his opinions adopted no farther than they carry self-conviction. He is a declared foe to the Athanasian creed, and will not allow that even the word Trinity was known to the prophets and apostles. After saying this, we think it incumbent on us to recommend to parents and teachers, to be careful how this book falls into the hands of their sons and pupils.

Town & C. Mag.

1055. A Wife in the Right. A comedy. *Vide* article, 877.

Whether we examine this piece in point of fable, character, sentiment or diction, the author is justly entituled to our approbation. She has delineated the portraits of artifice and nature with equal address; and the underplot is happily contrived for affording entertainment, amid the scenes of chaste and serious comedy. We sincerely regret the fate of this production, as an incident that must tend to discourage the future efforts of genius which requires to be animated by the hopes of a more substantial acquisition than that of praise alone.

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This comedy has sufficient merit to have carried it through at least nine nights. The characters are, in a great measure, new; the sentiments are noble; the diction is generally elegant, and the fable is neither forced or unnatural; the incidents arise from the subject, and the catastrophe is just and apposite. After saying so much, we cannot help lamenting its fate, which was neither damned nor saved, but apparently suppressed by partial and private motives. Town & C. Mag.

1056. Stafford's Scripture Doctrine of Sin and Grace. *Vide* article, 888.

Plain, practical, presbyterian sermons; which cannot fail of edifying the pious christian, or—lulling him to sleep. Critical Review.

1057. Fleming's Discourses. *Vide* articles, 770, 912.

Dr. Fleming appears to be a sensible and learned writer; a friend to free enquiry, and the sacred, unalienable rights of private judgment. Critical Review.

1058. Sermons to Tradesmen. *Vide* article, 994.

These two discourses are written with a good design; and in style and manner very much resemble the sermons to young women. They contain many seasonable instructions and wholesome admonitions, which may be read with great advantage by those, for whose service they are, principally, intended. The author very properly represents the pernicious effects arising from the ambitious projects, the chimerical speculations, the affected gentility, the dissipation, and extravagance of tradesmen. Critical Review.

1059. The Glory of the second Temple superior to that of the first. Two Sermons; by Samuel Palmer. 8vo. 6d. Buckland. 1771.

The author shews the propriety and importance of erecting decent and commodious places for divine worship; treats of that "internal spiritual glory" which rendered the second temple superior to the first; and mentions some particulars which contribute to the edification and honour of christian societies. Critical Review.

1060. Hamilton's Affize-Sermon. *Vide* article, 891.

This, especially at the time when it was preached, was a seasonable and useful discourse, properly calculated to allay the animosities of those insurgents in the North of Ireland, who thought themselves aggrieved by high rents and heavy taxes. Critical Review.

1061. The Doctrines of a Trinity, &c. examined. *Vide* articles, 418, 921.

This acute and judicious writer has clearly and effectually exposed the inconsistencies and absurdities of the Athanasian system. The supporter of that hypothesis, who stiles himself Orthodox, must be firmly established in his opinion, if he can read this treatise without a qualm of conscience or a mental vertigo. Critical Review.

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1062. Wolfstenholme's Examination, Why Quakers pay no Tithes. *Vide* article, 753.

The author of this pamphlet informs us, that the quakers in his parish usually put into the hands of those, who collect the church-taxes, a paper, containing the reasons why they do not pay tithes; and that by these means, they have made an impression upon some of the parishioners, to the prejudice of the rector. He has therefore been induced to publish this tract. What he has advanced upon the subject, is more than sufficient to expose the fallacy, or rather the absurdity of the quakers plea; but we are inclined to think, it would have been read by more of his parishioners, if he had contracted his arguments into a more regular and compendious form.

Critical Review.

1063. Smith's Letter to Cadogan. *Vide* article, 1005.

This author, tho' not bred to the profession of physic, seems to have carefully read the observations of those who have written on arthritic disorders, and to have acquired a competent knowledge of the collateral sciences subservient to the medical art. With these qualifications he enters into the controversy, respecting points both of theory and practice; and in the course of it, seems to be actuated solely by a regard to truth and experience; sometimes candidly dissenting from, and sometimes justly approving the opinions and practice of Dr. Cadogan. What we find chiefly observable in this letter, is, that in his own case, the author has ascertained the great advantage of a free use of acids in the gout. He has also offered some plausible arguments towards refuting the common opinion, of the bread in London being debased with a mixture of allum.

Critical Review.

1064. Lind, on the Fen-fever of Bengal. *Vide* articles, 231, 351, 909.

Affording a succinct account of the fen-fever, concerning the causes and cure of which, the author has added some judicious observations. The influence he ascribes, however, to the moon, in exciting the disease, it must be owned, borders somewhat on the marvellous.

Critical Review.

1065. Sermons to the rich and studious. *Vide* article, 761.

The author of these medical sermons, suitably to the common form of discourses, has prefixed to each a text, from the book of Proverbs, and arranged his arguments according to the method observed in the pulpit. They are not remarkable either for novelty of observation or rhetorical ornament, but they may be read with advantage.

Critical Review.

1066. An Enquiry into the Merits of these two important Questions: 1. Whether Women with Child ought to prefer the Assistance of their own Sex to that of Men-midwives? 2. Whether the Assistance of Men-midwives is contrary to Decency;

Decency; or whether it can in any way alarm the Modesty of the Fair-Sex during the Time of their being with Child or in Labour? In answer to a late extraordinary Publication, entituled, *The Danger and Immodesty of the present too general Custom of unnecessarily employing Men-midwives, &c. &c.* By a Man-midwife. By Louis Lapeyre Chirurgien Maitre-ez-Arts, and Surgeon to his Excellency the Prince de Masserano, &c. 8vo. 73 pages. 1s. 6d. Bladon.

Written in French, but, for the benefit of the English reader, translated, so that we have the French on one page, the English on the opposite. Mr. Lapeyre's answer to the first question rolls wholly on the unskilfulness of midwives, and the dangers arising from thence. An argument not at all conclusive, as it by no means removes the indecency of employing men; for were women instructed in the art of midwifery, that is, regularly bred midwives, as all the women who follow that profession in France, are, they would be, in every respect, as skilful as the men. All the reply made to the second question is, "may not a virtuous woman, with a broken thigh, &c. call in the assistance of a surgeon, without being thought to violate the laws of modesty?" Had this writer penned his tract with more moderation, we should have thought much better of him; but he treats his antagonist with so much ill-liberality, that we cannot consider him as a gentleman. In some things indeed, he argues rationally and well, but, in general, he writes like a blockhead.

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Mr. Lapeyre seems to have paid unmerited regard to the flimsy performance which he has made the object of his animadversion. In point of argument, however, he has shewn its futility in a clear light, and fully vindicated the men-midwives from the injurious aspersions of their defamatory, and probably, interested opponent.

Critical Review:

1067. A Review of *The Senators*. Vide article, 1011.

Repelling, with an honest indignation, the unjust and illiberal sarcasms thrown out against several respectable characters. In point of composition, it is much upon a level with that on which it is founded. It would seem as if the author had an intention of prosecuting the plan to a greater length; but we are candidly of opinion, that it would be no loss to the public, and perhaps some saving to himself, should he, instead of the remainder, present us only with—cætera desunt.

Critical Review.

1068. *Conjugal Love*. An Elegy. Vide articles; 734, 802.

The representation of domestic happiness affords a picture so agreeable to the fancy, that in reviewing a performance of that kind, criticism is, in some measure, disarmed. We do not estimate the merit of this elegy, however, entirely by such an indulgence; for it is worthy of more liberal praise, tho' it possesses not the

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the native fund of sentiment, nor the ease and force of expression, which is always to be found in the capital productions of poetry.

Critical Review.

1069. Stevens's Songs. *Vide* articles, 378, 543, 669.

Abounding with facetious humour.

Critical Review.

1070. An Essay on satirical entertainments. *Vide* articles, 730, 821.

The short essay, in the beginning of this pamphlet, is to be considered only as introductory to the observations which follow. Concerning the latter, it is sufficient to say, that they are sometimes just, sometimes frivolous, and generally dictated with candour.

Critical Review.

1071. The Toilet of Flora. *Vide* article, 873.

The present publication was originally written in a country from whence the articles it treats of have been formerly imported into our own, at a most unreasonable profit. It is undoubtedly the best performance of the kind, and equally suited to the purposes of the fine lady and the perfumer.

Critical Review.

This work will not only be found extremely useful to the perfumer; but it also induces satisfactory accounts of what has a reference to domestic oeconomy and expence.

Brit. Magazine.

1072. The Atlantic Pilot. *Vide* article, 798.

This small, but elegant performance, accompanied by the Atlantic charts, sufficiently testify the author's abilities both as a surveyor and able navigator; the work is replete with the most important directions to be observed by the cautious mariner in tracing the Florida or Gulf-stream, between the Havannah and the Martiere-Islands, along the Western Atlantic coast; and likewise for the safer conduct of ships in their navigation from the Gulf of Mexico, through the new Bahama channel, to the Northern part of his Majesty's dominions upon the continent of North-America, and from thence to Europe.

Critical Review.

1073. The Rise and Practice of Imprisonment in personal Actions, examined, &c. *Vide* articles, 601, 815.

In this pamphlet, the author first delineates the ancient practice of common law, in respect to proceedings on imprisonment in personal actions; after which he exhibits a view of the mode of procedure in use at present; tracing its origin, remarking where it deviates from the former system, and considering the merit or demerit of such deviation. He next enquires how it formed its present establishment, and what is the validity of its foundation; and concludes with offering a short and easy mode of proceeding to its aid, by an addition to an act of 12 Geo. I. The author discovers an accurate knowledge of his subject; his observations are judicious, and the plan he recommends for shortening the duration of imprisonment, appears to reconcile the rigour of justice with the principles of humanity.

Critical Review.

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1074. Considerations on the Negroe-Cause. *Vide* article, 988.

The publication of the present letter seems now to be wholly unnecessary, and would have been superfluous even at an earlier period; as the decision of the court did not regard the general question concerning the freedom of negroes in this country, but was founded only on the particular case of Somerset, from circumstances of insufficiency arising out of the cause returned upon the writ of habeas corpus.

Critical Review.

1075. Candid Reflections upon the Judgment awarded on the Negroe-Cause. *Vide* article, 1008.

We are doubtful whether this pamphlet, more than the former, is not chiefly a compilation of what had been delivered on the subject in the Court of King's-bench. The arguments here advanced against the freedom of negroes in this country, are such, as may be supposed to proceed from a person who is interested in the property of these people. But, though the author is evidently prejudiced in favour of the continuation of slavery, it must be owned, that some of these reflections would deserve to be attended to, should the subject ever be brought under the consideration of the legislature.

Critical Review.

The author of these reflections is said to be a gentleman of the law, who remarkably distinguished himself in the agitation of the above important cause. They contain a full investigation of the subject. and however we may differ from the writer, with respect to his sentiments of liberty, our impartiality obliges us to declare he has produced many plausible objections to the arguments of the negroe advocates.

Ledger.

1076. Farmer's Examination of Le-Moine's Treatise on Miracles. *Vide* articles, 104, 706.

Mr. Farmer's chief motive to this publication seems to have been, to vindicate himself from an injurious charge, of having made considerable use of Le-Moine's treatise, in his dissertation on the same subject, without acknowledging it. In this examination he has not only fully exculpated himself of plagiarism, but has also added some illustrations of the opinions he had formerly published.

Critical Review.

1077. Paterson's Travelling Dictionary. *Vide* articles, 108, 221, 693.

This book contains 46,000 distances, and must of consequence prove extremely useful, not only to the traveller, but likewise to all those, who have any commercial intercourse with the country. Some towns, and those too of note, are omitted, but they are inconsiderable in respect to so great a number as is here presented to our view,

1076. A brief Enquiry into the State of Death. *Vide* article, 707.

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The manner in which this enquiry is conducted, is wholly unsuitable to a subject of so much importance to mankind.

Critical Review.

1079. *The Female Miscellany*. In two parts. For the use of a boarding school, 8vo. price 1s. 6d. Owen. 1771.

Performances which are calculated for the improvement of young minds, are always intitled to a candid reception from the public. The capacity of those for whose benefit they are intended, not admitting either depth of sentiment, or ornament of style, the highest praise to which they can attain, is that of conveying the most useful instructions in the easiest manner; and in this view, the little volume before us is worthy of recommendation.

Critical Review.

1080. *Talbot's Narrative respecting Britain*. *Vide* article, 778.

From this narrative, as well as from common report, the character of Jonathan Britain appears to have been so infamous, that instead of the illiberal reflections thrown out against Mr. Talbot, on account of the endeavours he used for bringing him to justice, that gentlemen is certainly entituled to the grateful acknowledgments of the public.

Critical Review.

1081. *The noble Lovers*. *Vide* article, 980.

The History of Lord Emely and Miss Villars, might be very well contained in the third volume, thin as it is. The author has shewn some ingenuity in bringing his noble lovers together, after some unexpected, though not unnatural discoveries: but he has not we think, drawn his principal characters in such a manner as to interest us extremely in their affairs. As to the characters digressively introduced, in order to make numbers supply the place of weight, few of them are drawn with spirit or with truth. Many respectable personages now living are indeed exhibited in very false colours, and most of them are executed with a very slovenly as well as a satyrical hand.

Critical Review.

1082. *The History of Miss Dorinda Catsby, &c.* *Vide* article, 981.

Invention, judgment, and taste, are all wanting to rescue these volumes from oblivion. They will be probably forgotten as soon as they are read. None of the characters in them are strikingly marked, or happily varied; and the incidents, though not unnatural, are so common as to be tiresome, particularly from the poverty of the language in which they are related. The language, indeed, in many places, setting aside the tameness of it, is very exceptionable; but to point out the grammatical errors and impurities of expression, through the whole history before us, which, though short, is interrupted with frequent and unnecessary digressions, would be to mispend time and misapply criticism.

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1083. The Younger Brother. *Vide* articles, 587, 812.

These volumes will, we imagine, afford little or no entertainment to the fair readers of novels, as the sweet passion of love makes but a small appearance in them. However, the author of this miscellaneous performance, writes in a lively tho' desultory manner, draws several humorous characters without overcharging them, which he describes in very laughable attitudes, starts many arch remarks and discovers much knowledge of the world.

Entertaining and new.

Critical Review.

Gent. Magazine.

1084. Valentine, or the Fatal Birth-day, a Tragedy. By Thomas Stuart, 8vo. 1s. Printed for the Author, Dean Street, Soho.

This writer observes in his dedication, that he is without experience in composition, and possesses not the advantages of a regular education. On what title then does he presume to compose a regular tragedy? This wretched piece has nothing to recommend it; no regularity of design, no propriety of expression, nor any force of sentiment.

Universal Mag.

1085. Methodus prescribendi exemplificatæ Pharmacopæis Nosocomiorum Londinensium, Edinburgenarium, Parisiensium, Petropolitan, &c. viz. in usum classis Britannicæ. Exercituum Britannicæ. Nosocom. Londinensis, St. Bartholomæi, St. Thomæ, Dom. Guy, St. Georgii, Hotel Dieu, Edenensis & classis, Petropolitan, a Gulielmo Northcote, Chirurgo, 8vo. 3s. 6d. sewed. Evans.

Nothing can certainly be of greater use to young students in medicine, than to have before their eyes good models of medicinal compositions, for the cure of the different disorders that afflict mankind. A collection of the formulæ made use of in the different hospitals of the principal cities in Europe, is, beyond all contradiction, the most proper and likely means of completely fulfilling this intention. These formulæ being the result of the mature reflection and experience of a number of the most experienced and able physicians of the age, who in conjunction have formed a compendium of the most efficacious remedies for the cure of every distemper incident to the human race. The ingenious author, to render his work still more useful, has added an accurate table of the doses of most compound and simple medicines.

British Magazine.

1086. A concise History of Anatomy from the earliest ages of antiquity. To which are annexed, a few thoughts on the uses of Anatomy and rules for giving a course of anatomical lectures. By William Northcote, Surgeon, author of the *Marine Practice of Physic*, and the *Anatomy of the Human Body*, for the use of naval practitioners, 8vo. 3s. Evans.

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We cannot compliment Mr. Northcote on his language; we can however truly affirm, that the work is a judicious and faithful account of the rise, progress, and improvements of anatomy, down to our time; wherein the principal anatomical authors, ancient and modern, are criticised with candour. The young anatomist will, therefore, no doubt, read with avidity a treatise calculated to facilitate his labours in that science, and spare him the necessity of turning over a variety of volumes, many of which cannot without difficulty and a vast expence, be procured, in order to acquire a knowledge of the history of this useful and necessary art, the basis of all medical and chirurgical knowledge.

British Magazine.

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1087. *The Agreement of Reason with Sacred Revelation: or short essays and reflections on some primary truths, and on some disputed points of faith: with some general and critical remarks on the scriptural writings; and addresses to Deists and Arians.* 8vo. 59 pages. 1s. 6d. Birmingham printed. Robinson and Roberts, 1770.

Though printed in the year 1770, this tract has not made its appearance till now; and it would have been as well, had it never appeared at all, being a jumble of neither one thing nor the other. It is called the agreement of reason with revelation, whereas it sets them rather at variance, the author not having brought even the well-known arguments that are used to make revelation rational; his piece consisting only of common-place expressions that perplex us more than if we had not attended to them. He calls his reflections short essays, and short they are, often not more than a page to each; in this he merits our approbation, as where we cannot talk to the purpose, the less we say, the better.

1088. *A Letter to David Garrick, Esq; occasioned by his having moved the Court of King's-Bench against the publisher of Love in the Suds, or the lamentations of Roscius for the loss of his Nykey.* By Dr. Kenrick. 4to. 34 pages. Wheble.

A stiff pedantic letter, containing no small degree of severity, wherein Dr. Kenrick sets forth the ill treatment he received from Mr. Garrick, respecting some pieces he wrote for the stage, acknowledging this to be the reason of his penning that satire, he called Love in the Suds, which, he says, was not to charge Roscius with any particular crime, but merely to turn him into ridicule, for having encouraged, as a writer, out of principles of avarice and vanity, a wretch, whom he had reason to detest, or, at least, cautiously to shun, as a man.

1089. *Memoirs of the life of the Reverend George Whitfield, M. A. late Chaplain to the Right honourable the Countess of Huntingdon: In which every circumstance worthy of*

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note, both in his private and public character, is recorded. Faithfully selected from his original papers, journals and letters. Illustrated by a variety of interesting and entertaining anecdotes, from the best authorities. To which are added, a particular account of his death and funeral; and extracts from the sermons which were preached on that occasion. Compiled by the Rev. John Gillies, D. D. 8vo. 357 pages. 5s. bound. Dilly.

These memoirs seem to be authentic, but very superficial. They take in the space of fifty-six years, from the time of his birth to that of his death; a space so filled up with business that were matters more than touched upon, it must have swelled the work to many volumes. So far indeed the compiler is excusable, but not so, when we consider him as a writer; his language being no way smooth or easy. To this volume are added three copper-plates, viz. Two views of the Tabernacle in Tottenham Court-Road, and a half-length of Mr. Whitfield, preaching; a striking likeness, and most elegantly engraved by Picot. The plate cost fourscore pounds.

1090. The Theatrical Review; or New Companion to the Playhouse: Containing a critical and historical account of every Tragedy, Comedy, Opera, Farce, &c. exhibited at the Theatres during the last season; with remarks on the actors who performed the principal characters. The whole interspersed with occasional reflections on dramatic poetry in general; the characters of the best English dramatic authors; and observations on the conduct of the managers. Calculated for the entertainment and instruction of every lover of theatrical amusements. By a society of gentlemen, independent of managerial influence, 2 vols. 12mo. 336 pages in the one, 233 in the other. 6s. bound. Crowder.

It has been always understood, that Mr. Kelly was the author of the Theatrical Review, given from time to time in a newspaper, called the Ledger. These volumes are neither more nor less than a collection of what occasionally appeared in that paper; not re-composed, but struck off from the letter-press, as it then stood, and now arranged into volumes. Notwithstanding the proprietor of this work has thus saved the expence of printing, we apprehend the matter is too stale, and of too little importance to make the republishing it an advantage to him, by any claim it can have to the attention of the public a second time.

1091. The compleat Horseman, or the art of riding made easy: illustrated by rules drawn from nature, and confirmed by experience; with directions to the ladies to sit gracefully and ride with safety, adorned with various engravings, finely executed. By Charles Hughes, Professor of Horsemanship, at his Riding-school, near Black-fryars bridge. 12mo. 63 pages. 1s. Newbery.

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Such is the reigning folly of mankind, that we suppose a proficient in any art, must be able to write well upon that art; and that unless he can write well, he cannot be a proficient. 'Tis this strange notion, that has made fools of several, by introducing them into the world as authors; for among a catalogue of books, we now occasionally meet with Farrer, upon Onanism; Gallini, upon dancing; Ritchie, upon Hair-dressing, and Hughes, upon the art of riding; when God knows, they are scarcely able to put two sentences together without spoiling both. In the tract before us, there are indeed some few rules for sitting upon a horse and breaking in a colt, that may not be unworthy of attention, but they seem collected from other writers upon these subjects, and thrown together here without order or understanding. We are told in the title, that "this work is adorned with various engravings, finely executed." These fine engravings are two ordinary copper-plates, and nine wooden cuts of Hughes's attitudes, which Mr. Newbery the publisher may probably hereafter convert into some child's little book, and sell for 1d. bound in gilt paper.

1092. Short-hand unmasked, or an easy, elegant character illustrated and explained, in such a plain compendious manner, that a person of a moderate capacity may by the directions here given, alone readily attain it. By Henry Barnby. 4to. 25 pages. 9 of which are copper-plates. 5s. Printed for the author. Crowder.

This treatise of Short-hand seems to have very little advantage over the others already published; except indeed that the characters are fewer, and of course less burthensome to the memory. But then they are to stand for a greater number of words, and consequently will hereafter be more difficultly read. The instructions given, are by way of question and answer, between the teacher and the learner.

1093. Memoirs of the Life of Joshua Dudley; explaining among other particulars, the motives of his pretended discovery of the persons concerned in setting fire to the Dock-yard at Portsmouth, in July, 1770. Written by himself, 8vo. 52 pages. 1s. Bladon.

Containing some few particulars of an enterprizing life; written, we believe, by Dudley, during his confinement in Newgate, to which place he was brought back, after having been sent with other felons, on board the transport. It is dated July 16, 1772. There is very little entertainment or instruction to be gathered from this piece, otherwise than we learn how easily men of parts and penetration are sometimes duped by villains, little backneyed in artifice and deception. For by this account, had the ministry opened their eyes at all, they must have seen through this pretended story.

1094. The history and antiquities of Rochester, and its environs; to which is added a description of the towns, villages, gen-

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gentlemen's seats, and ancient buildings, situate on, or near the road from London to Margate, Deal, and Dover. Embellished with copper-plates. 8vo. 353 pages, and 7 plates. 3s. 6d. sewed. Rochester printed. Crowder.

The compiler of this work has taken no small pains to render it as complete as possible for its size. There is no doubt but he might have swelled it, but the accounts he has given, are concise and satisfactory. And as Rochester is a very ancient city, the history and antiquities of it must afford great pleasure to the curious, especially to those who are fond of antiquity. The author acknowledges to have received great helps from different gentlemen, which still adds to the value of the work; for let a man be ever so careful in searching into records, some things will unavoidably escape him. His remarks throughout are illustrated by various references to the Registrum Rossense published some time since by John Thorpe, Esq; and other works; and supported by numberless authorities, which he has quoted by way of notes.

1095. A Letter from John Crookshanks to Mr. Robert Kirke, of Castle-yard, Holborn, occasioned by his late publication of the minutes and proceedings of a Court-martial, held on John Crookshanks, Esq; formerly Captain of his Majesty's ship the Lark; and dedicated by Mr. Kirke, to the Right Hon. the Earl of Sandwich. 8vo. 24 pages. 6d. Davis.

A reply to Mr. Kirke's pamphlet, wherein Mr. Crookshanks, who has been since restored to his former rank, states the case of his dismissal briefly, and in a great measure vindicates himself from Mr. Kirke's aspersions. Vide article, 894.

1096. Observations on the present state of the game in England, in which the late methods of preservation are clearly refuted and condemned: the real cause, or causes of the deficiency demonstrated, and proposals offered for its more sure and effectual preservation. By William Taplin, 8vo. 39 pages. 1s. Davies.

Mr. Taplin, having been long a sportsman, and fond of the diversion, is unhappy at the decrease of the game, which, says he, is become now very visible, and will be shortly more so, if some speedy measures are not taken to prevent it. He is severe against the country gentlemen, speaks of them with the utmost contempt and shews them, they are themselves the very poachers, they wish to punish. He attributes the great scarcity of game to the present laws for its preservation; for, in his opinion, were the farmers allowed to shoot, they would be careful to prevent poaching, which would in a little time greatly encrease the number of birds and hares. After this, he proceeds to shew the arts practised by the poachers, and concludes with saying, that was the qualification for carrying a gun, only five pounds a year, freehold; was the killing of hares, &c. in the snow punishable by a heavy

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heavy penalty, and an annual tax of five shillings laid upon every dog; he is persuaded, the gentlemen in the different parts of England, would soon find a plenty, where they now experience a dearth.

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The author of this pamphlet seems well acquainted with his subject, though the piece is very carelessly written.

Ledger.

1097. *The Divorce*; a musical entertainment; as sung at Marybone Gardens. The music composed by Mr. Hook, 4to. 14 pages 1s. Wheble.

This piece consists of four characters, two men and two women, and differs from other burlettas performed at that place, inasmuch as this before us is something of a dramatic poem, though a very wretched one, that is, the lines are in metre; the music being made to the words; whereas before, their burlettas were in prose, the words being adapted to the music. The story is, that of a woman of fortune being married to a gambler, who deserting her, she encourages a gallant, whom, when the husband discovers, he obliges to settle matters, by taking his wife entirely from him, to the satisfaction of all parties.

1098. *Infernal Conference, or Dialogues of Devils*. By the Listener. 2 vols. large 12mo. 747 pages. 6s. bound. Keith.

These volumes evidently appear to be a translation from some French publication, written years ago, which, in its original language, must have undoubtedly much merit: it containing a great deal of good sense, and many just observations on the prevailing manners and morals of the age. But the ignorant translator has marred the piece, by his English dress and attempting to make it his own, by often changing the scene to this country, and by the addition of here and there, a paltry page, widely differing from the rest. Could we see the original, we have no doubt but it would afford us much pleasure in the perusal; it being a fine allegory, in all probability, well carried on. The writer is supposed to have discovered a horrid cave, the rendezvous of those evil spirits who are said to have so dreadfully enslaved mankind; to have descended into it, and to have secreted himself in an obscure corner, from whence he overhears the eighteen dialogues which make the subjects of these volumes, and which are a severe and spirited satire on the depravity of the times. The conference is kept up between *Fastosus, Avaro, Infidelis, Impiator, Crudelis* and *Discordans*.

1099. *The State of the Case of Captain Jones*, as it was on Tuesday presented to his Majesty; and in consequence of which he was pleased to grant a Respite till Wednesday next. 8vo. 18 pages. 6d. Peat.

An imposition. Little or nothing to the purpose. Vox & præterea nihil.

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A paltry catch-penny, which the editor has compiled from some late

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late essays in the news-papers, and from Fortescue's celebrated treatise de laudibus Legum Angliæ. Ledger.

1100. The Queen of Denmark's Account of the late Revolution in Denmark; written while her Majesty was a Prisoner in the Castle of Cronenburgh; and now first published from the original Manuscript, sent to a noble Earl. 8vo. 45 pages. 1s. 6d. Wheble.

Evidently spurious; tho' far from ill-written; and containing nothing but what we have heard before. Univ. Catalogue.

Though there is no probable foundation for supposing this piece really the production of the great personage, whose title is mentioned above; and though the account of the conspiracy at Copenhagen, and the proceedings in consequence, contain little more than has already appeared in the papers, yet there is something in the reasons given in this pamphlet, shewing the improbability of the charge against the Queen, that is not unworthy the reader's attention.

Ledger.

1101. Further Remarks upon Dr. Campbell's late synodical Sermon; to which are prefixed, by way of introduction, some observations on a former synodical sermon, by the same author: interspersed with reflections on the present melancholy State of Christianity, the Christian Ministry, &c. as well in Scotland as in England; together with notes for illustration, and a letter from a minister in the South country to his friend, (giving an account of his conversion, and consequent change in his preaching, after he had been some years standing in the ministry) annexed, as an exemplification of the whole. Small 8vo. 185 pages. 2s. Printed at Aberdeen, and sold there for the benefit of the sober and industrious poor.

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1102. The Devil, no Fallen Angel: proved from Scripture. Being a Specimen of what hath been revealed to the vilest of Worms and chiefest of Sinners, Nathan Walker. 8vo. 54 pages. 1s. Bladon.

The effusions of a madman. Being a weak attempt to prove; that

that some of the degenerate angels in the early ages of the world, inter-married with the human race; that they would frequently take each of them a virgin, and abide with them; and that after these virgins were married, they would still continue to haunt them as their familiar spirits, alienate their affections from their husbands, and beget on them a spurious gigantic brood, which were the giants mentioned Gen. vi. 4. That the Devil, is an infernal fiend, that existed from eternity, and waged war from eternity against the majesty of God; consequently that he is infinite as the Deity, in regard to his existence, and infinitely wicked and rebellious: that there were no fallen angels till after the birth of Christ, when there was war in heaven, on his account, at which time "the old serpent, called the Devil and Satan, was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." Rev. xii. 7. All this, Nathan Walker presumes to say has been revealed to him. The preface is in sing-song verse.

1103. Reflections on the Fate of a Petition, for Relief in the Matter of Subscription, offered to the Honourable House of Commons, Feb. 6th, 1772. With Observations on the Rev. Dean Tucker's Apology for the present Church of England, as by Law established. By a Member of a Law-Society. 4to. 126 pages. 2s. 6d. Wheble.

The writer of this piece appears to be a man of good sense and sound learning. He has carried it thro' with spirit and some degree of humour. He is a favourer of non-subscription, and has treated the petition with more respect than it deserved, considering who were the supporters of it. He professes to have no knowledge of any of the parties, nor to be any way concerned in the affair, let it terminate which way it may. He has reasoned only on some plain matters of fact, which fell within his own knowledge, and on the representations which have made of some others, as related by common report. He is very severe on what he calls the alliance, that is, the harmony subsisting between the bishops and the administration; and is of opinion, that the reverend bench, would run any lengths rather than break that alliance: and closes his tract with some remarks on the three following pamphlets on the present subject, of which he gives us some few extracts. Advice from a bishop, in a series of letters to a young clergyman, (his nephew) printed for Cooper, Paternoster-Row, 1759. A letter to bishop, &c. Vide article, 579. And a Collection of several pieces of Mr. John Locke, published by Mr. Des Maizeaux; printed for R. Franklin, 1724. It is attributed to the pen of Dr. Blackburn, author of the Confessional, and article, 1012.

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The title of this book is sufficiently explanatory. It is dedicated, by permission, to the King. It contains about twenty-five plates, well executed, and must be particularly serviceable to mariners.

1108. *A Treatise on the Art of Dancing.* By Giovanni-Andrea Gallini. 2 vols. 8vo. 1l. 1s. bound. Doddsley.

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1119. Kippis's Vindication of the Dissenting Ministers Application to Parliament. *Vide* article, 1013.

Dr. Kippis, here defends the principles and vindicates the conduct of his brethren, with a decent and manly freedom, and with great candour, solidity, and judgment. He is an advocate for an equal and extensive toleration; and he writes in support of so noble a cause, with the spirit of a gentleman and a protestant divine, and answers the principal objections that have been made to the matter, the manner, and the time, of the late application to parliament in a satisfactory manner. *Monthly Review:*

Notwithstanding Dr. Kippis has thrown out several menaces and opprobrious reflections against the friends of the established church, we must do him the justice to allow, that he is an able defender of the dissenting ministers, and of what he apprehends to be the cause of humanity and religious liberty. *Critical Review.*

In this performance we discover more of labour than genius. The writer, tho' tolerably well acquainted with his subject, has not the talent of writing agreeably, or with force. Insipid and formal, he perpetually disgusts his readers. We do no injustice to his treatise, when we pronounce, that it is a painful effort of persevering dulness. *Universal Mag.*

The author of this vindication has proved himself to be an able writer. He begins by reciting some of the disadvantages, which the dissenting clergy labour under, on account of the necessity, which obliges them to subscribe the articles. He then enters into a general explanation of the religious principles of the dissenting clergy; and proceeds from thence to a refutation of the several objections, which the opposers of the late petition made to it. In the discussion of these several points, he has evinced a spirit of candour, of freedom and liberal enquiry, which continually recommends his arguments to the enlarged and unbiassed mind. His style is forcible; his reasoning is close, and his conclusions convincing. *Lond. Magazine.*

1120. A View of Revealed Religion, as it stands to the Reason. *Vide* articles, 866, 951.

The author of this work, though he appears to be a person of no contemptible abilities, if they were but exerted within their proper sphere, is little better than a mere sciolist, in those abstruse points which he has undertaken to treat of. His strange performance is very far from being animated with any of the beauties

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of style or composition; tho' with respect to grammar, it is, for the most part, correct enough. Monthly Review.

1121. Graham's Doctrine of Atonement. *Vide* article, 1001.

Although we consider this tract, as the work of a sensible and ingenious writer, yet, upon the whole, it might perhaps, have lost nothing of its merit, had he made it pass under a more mature revision; and softened or corrected those passages, which may afford just cause of disgust to his moderate and candid readers; for he has treated those theologians whom he opposes very unfriendly. Monthly Review.

1122. Wensley Dale. *Vide* article, 805.

This poem is chiefly moral and descriptive, and exhibits many picturesque views of that great variety of rural scenery, and of those grand and grotesque appearances, which are found in the various and beautiful Dale it describes. As a poem, tho' not finely finished, it contains many good lines; and we recommend it to our readers, as well to gratify their curiosity as their benevolence. Monthly Review.

1123. Durell's Remarks on the books of Job, &c. *Vide* article, 883.

Dr. Durell has been very cautious and exact, and paid just attention in the collection of criticisms here offered to the public. In determining the signification of words, he has made the English version, now in use, the standard, correcting it in those places in which he judged it to be faulty. He allows that our common English version has considerable merit, yet he acknowledges its errors and defects, and pleads for a new translation; giving the public here some part of the materials for the purpose, and hoping others blessed with greater abilities and advantages may be induced to pursue it. Monthly Review.

1124. Lettsom, on the Tea-tree. *Vide* article, 273.

The medical or dietetic qualities of this plant have been largely discussed by a great number of writers, who have maintained very different and even contradictory opinions, concerning the effects attending the use of it. In the present publication, every thing of consequence that has been written on these two heads, is very judiciously collected into a narrow compass; and the subject somewhat farther illustrated, by a few additional observations peculiar to the author. The work, in general, is executed with accuracy and judgment; tho' from the nature and circumstances of the subject, many desiderata yet remain to be cleared up, relating to it. Monthly Review.

1125. Crawford, on the Liver. *Vide* articles, 405, 474:

We think this pamphlet deserving of particular consideration, as it contains the history of a very dreadful disorder, attended with

with symptoms so fallacious, as naturally to produce the most fatal mistakes concerning its nature, and thereby suggest indications of cure, totally opposite to those which would be pursued by one who was acquainted with its real seat and origin. *Monthly Review:*

1126. Chambers, on Oriental Gardening. *Vide* articles, 751, 826.

Sir William Chambers would teach us, that we are yet in a state of ignorance and barbarism, with regard to the pleasing art of gardening; of which the Chinese, alone, are masters: a proposition, we think the ingenious writer has by no means demonstrated; yet our candour will not suffer us to withhold from this performance the praise which is its due, namely, that it affords, among a multitude of extravagancies, a few hints of improvement, which we may adopt without scruple, and follow with advantage. With respect to the style of this production, it is, in general, well-written, tho' it appears, in some instances, to be wrought up with a laboured correctness, which seldom accompanies the elegance that is seen in the performances of those free and easy writers, who possess the happy art of expressing their thoughts naturally, while they are cloathing them in the most polished terms, afforded by the languages in which they write. *Monthly Review.*

1127. Jay's Reflections on the Gout. *Vide* articles, 424, 471.

Such is the peculiar complexion of this pamphlet, that the arthritic, who would profit from the author's knowledge of the disease of which he treats, has no other way of availing himself of that advantage, than by putting himself under the immediate care of the writer of it. Nay, even the faculty will learn nothing from it; it contains however some sensible but very general observations, on the proper course to be pursued in investigating the nature of the gout, and it is doing him but justice to say, that his reflections on the errors of preceeding writers, and on the causes which gave birth to them, are judicious and well-founded. But, on the whole, this pamphlet evidently appears to be what the French call *une honnete affiche*, that is, a creditable kind of advertisement, insinuating that the writer of it understands the nature of the disease in question, better than his neighbours, and that he is qualified to give superior relief to those afflicted with it. *Monthly Review.*

1128. Berdoe, on the Gout. *Vide* articles, 612, 818.

We can find no new or useful information in this essay. The whole drift of it appears to be nothing more than to shew that there is a connexion between the Gout, Dropsy, Cholick, &c. and the hypochondriac passion; that the gout may be considered as an acute paoxyism of the hypochondriac disorder; that the hæmorrhoidal flux is salutary in this last-mentioned disease, and conse-

quently is beneficial in the gout. To evince these truths, a few meagre cases are added, which are really singular for their triteness and insignificance. Monthly Review.

1129. Berkenhout's Reply to Dr. Cadogan's Dissertation on the Gout. *Vide* articles, 613, 633.

This very sensible and facetious answer has no mercy on the errors in fact and in doctrine that he meets with in Cadogan's dissertation. Accordingly he hits the Doctor some hard raps, not ill applied; for which he apologises, by observing that controversy is dull, and requires a little rest to keep the reader's attention awake. Monthly Review.

1130. Dray's reflections on Cadogan's Doctrine. *Vide* articles, 584, 632.

This illustrator of Dr. Cadogan's doctrine, throws no light, that we can discover on the subject. He seems horribly apprehensive of acids (and indeed scarce talks of any thing else) and of the prevalence of an acid acrimony. In short, we think, the public might have been spared these very unimportant rambling reflections; the writer of which, in general, appears the mere echo of Dr. Cadogan's doctrines, and, as other echoes are wont to do, sends them back with diminished force. Monthly Review.

1131. Sermons to the Rich and Studious. *Vide* articles, 761, 1065.

This physician assumes the gown and band, and inculcates, ex cathedra, in a very agreeable and energetic manner, the fundamental doctrines of man's bodily salvation. He alternately addresses the reason and passions of his audience. He is sometimes didactic, and at other times, descriptive and pathetic. On the whole, the discourses of this medical preacher, may be read with pleasure, and not without some degree of edification. Monthly Review.

1132. Browne's corrections in verse, &c. *Vide* article 564.

More gouty matter still! — By the title these should be verses; it may be so, but they are wretchedly hobbling and deplorable. Monthly Review.

1133. Brisbane's select Cases. *Vide* articles, 257, 473.

These few cases are published to shew what may be done, even in rare and dangerous cases, by the use of the most simple medicines. The first four relate to the true diabetes, which the author cured or relieved by cantharides. The next two contain the history and cure of a disease in the oesophagus, by spitting, excited by mercury; the next three are malignant ulcers, cured by a decoction of sarsaparilla. These are followed by a short history of some schirrous humours in a woman's breast, cured by electricity. The author

author concludes with an account of two nervous or paralytic cases, cured by the wild valerian root, and with the history of a leprous disorder, removed principally by antimonial wine.

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1134. Caverhill, on nervous Ganglions. *Vide* article 438.

This author's opinion concerning the use of ganglions appears to have been principally founded on an observation made on the dissection of a dog, who was subject to singular convulsions of the fore thigh, synchronous to every pulsation of the arterial system; the cause of which involuntary motions Dr. Caverhill attributed to a ganglion which he discovered in the limb, in contact with an artery. The result of his subsequent dissections and observations was, that all the ganglions in the body are always placed in contact with arteries, or with parts endowed with constant motion, and his principal inference seems to be, that the ganglions being thereby subjected to a continued series of impulses, are destined to accelerate the nervous influence, and to excite involuntary motion.

Monthly Review.

1135. An appendix to the Observations upon Mr. Pott's general Remarks on Fractures. By Thomas Kirkland, M. D. 8vo. 1s. Becket, 1771.

This appendix contains some very injudicious observations on the best manner of reducing a dislocated thigh bone, and an account of the extreme facility with which that operation was performed, by making a lever of the bone, and by the use of only a very small degree of extension, in the case of a pauper, where the head of the os femoris was driven inward towards the foramen ovale of the os pubis. The case itself, and the anatomical and practical observations that accompany it, form a very proper supplement to the author's former remarks on dislocations; and are highly deserving the attention of practitioners.

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1136. Rouppe, on diseases incidental to seamen. *Vide* articles, 118, 326.

This work contains the result of the author's observations in the course of several years practice in the Dutch navy. He appears to have been a careful, accurate, and judicious observer of the nature and progress of diseases; the symptoms of which are not only minutely described, but the appearances on dissection likewise frequently noticed. His pharumatic treatment, however, is not every where simple and efficacious. The work, nevertheless, possesses a considerable share of merit, and will prove a useful addition to the sea-surgeons library. The translation appears to be executed with care and fidelity.

Monthly Review.

1137. Ariadne forsaken. a Poem. *Vide* articles, 871, 949.

A translation from Catullus, a poem, which, in the original, though

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though little read, has many beauties. In favour of the translation, we cannot say much. The translator affects, and, in his advertisement, obliquely assumes, a claim to simplicity of composition, but in his execution, he seems an utter stranger to it.

Monthly Review.

This translator has clothed Catullus in an English dress of very coarse manufacture indeed.

Lond. Magazine.

1138. The execution of Sir Charles Bawdin. *Vide article, 735.*

There is, in this poem, a natural pathos, and a beautiful simplicity, which cannot but recommend it to the lovers of antique poetry, though we are led to think, from the smoothness of the numbers, that it is not of so early a date as is suggested.

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1139. An Epistle to Gorges Edmund Howard, Esq; with notes, explanatory, critical and historical, by George Faulkner, Esq; and Alderman, 8vo. 1s. Dublin, printed: London, reprinted. Goldsmith. 6th. edition.

An excellent piece of humour, by which the reader, who is acquainted with the character of Mr. Faulkner, the printer, will be highly entertained at the expence of that gentleman.

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This pamphlet was originally printed in Dublin. It is said to be written by the Rev. Mr. Jephson, who it must be acknowledged has here placed honest George Faulkner in a more ludicrous point of view than Foote formerly did, when he introduced him in his farce called the orators.

Ledger.

1140. Bourne's Poems: *Vide article, 675.*

These ingenious Latin poems are well known by every school-boy that can read the carmina quadragesimalia. There is a peculiar beauty and harmony in the structure of Mr. Bourne's versification, and we may say of it, what he says of the river Tweed, in his translation of the famous old song;

Non quæ subrepens blando interlabitur agros

Flumine, tam suavi Tueda decore nitet.

Monthly Review.

1141. Poetical Essays. By the author of Juvenal's Satires, imitated, 12mo. 3s. sewed. Ridley, 1771.

That men who cannot write their own language grammatically should pretend to write books, can only be imputed to extreme vanity and ignorance. The author of these essays is of that class; he appears to be one of that hasty tribe of scribblers, whose little vanity is to imitate Churchill, in flinging dirt at some of the most respectable writers in the nation.

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The author is Mr. Burnaby Green, an ingenious, sensible man, who if he had treated the gentlemen reviewers with a little more respect than he has done, would have secured to him their warmest wishes and best commendations. Univ. Catalogue.

1142. A Review of the Poem, intituled, *The Senators*. *Vide* articles, 1011, 1067.

Authors have been known to answer themselves, when nobody else would take notice of their performances, and the sorry style, and versification both of the senators and this poetical fungus that hath grown out of it, are similar enough to countenance our suspicion, that we have now before us an instance of this species of author-craft. Monthly Review.

1143. Gibbons's Christian Minister. *Vide* articles, 616, 806.

As a good and pious man, too much cannot be said in Dr. Gibbons's commendation; but he loves rhyming, and every man has his hobby-horse. Monthly Review.

1144. The Noble Lovers. *Vide* articles, 980, 1081.

This writer aims at vivacity and is only petulant. He affects a most intimate acquaintance with the world and is almost a stranger to it. The anecdotes he has inserted, are, in general, without foundation, and abound with spleen and ill-nature. In fine, his work is a compound of malignity and dulness.

Monthly Review.

The author of this novel has not descended to that insignificance of love-prattle and intrigue, which generally is the characteristic of works of this kind. He has recorded some facts among many fables; but they contain nothing to interest the heart. The characters of several living persons are interspersed through this performance; but these are painted in true or false colours as they affected the author's opinion and interest. Lond. Magazine.

This performance professes to have a moral tendency. As it comprehends a variety of characters and a multiplicity of incidents, it may be read with some degree of pleasure. Univ. Magazine.

1145. The History of Miss Dorinda Catsby, &c. *Vide* articles, 981, 1082.

Some romance-writing female (as we guess from the style) with her head full of love-scenes, shady groves, and purling streams, honourable passion, and wicked purposes, has here put together a flimsy series of such adventures and descriptions as we usually meet with in the amorous trash of the times. Monthly Review.

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This performance does not deviate from the usual insipidity of novels. It displays no variety of incidents and no power of expression.

Univ. Magazine.

This production, even as a novel, is uncommonly silly. The author talks with great confidence and gravity of the pen and poetry, of Raphael. This instance of consummate ignorance near the beginning of it, will teach a reader what he ought to expect from the rest; for the author is as ignorant of invention, feeling, and sentiment, as he is of the profession of Raphael.

Lond. Magazine.

A very uninteresting relation of the adventures of two insipid characters, in which the author has shewn himself, in point of fable, business, and language, very inferior to most of his cotemporary novel-writers.

Ledger.

1146. Patullo, on the Cultivation of Lands, &c. in Bengal. *Vide article, 1014.*

Many pertinent reflections are here offered on topics, in the very highest degree interesting to this kingdom. The author possessed excellent opportunities of information; and the public ought not to neglect a communication which he seems to have made with the best intention.

Monthly Review.

Bengal and its provinces are, at present, objects extremely interesting and important. The tract before us contains reflections on their state and improvement, and is worthy of public notice. The author has no mean degree of penetration, and appears to be well informed.

Univ. Magazine.

Mr. Patullo has, in this essay, thrown together a number of judicious observations on the improvement of our possessions in India, which appear, in a particular manner to deserve the attention of all who are interested in the welfare of those settlements.

Ledger.

1147. Considerations on the Negroe-Cause. *Vide articles, 988, 1074.*

Written with judgment, but reprehensible, as pointing against the principles of liberty; the writer endeavouring to prove that it is the express law of England, that the property of a negro should remain with his master even in this country.

Monthly Review.

Supported with great strength of argument.

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1148. Candid reflections on the Judgment awarded in the Negroe-cause. *Vide articles, 1008, 1075.*

These reflections are written with the same view as those in the preceding publication; and it must be allowed, that they are laboured and acute.

Monthly Review.

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There are many pertinent remarks in this pamphlet. This author is not an advocate for slavery, while he is of opinion that the servitude of the colony-negroes should continue. He reasons from principles of expediency and trade, and has made it perfectly clear, that a late judicious sentence, though it may be consistent with English law, is utterly incompatible with English commerce.

Univ. Magazine.

We sorry to find so able a writer engage as the advocate for slavery. We must however allow, that many of his observations are just, and his conclusions political to a trading nation.

Town & C. Mag.

1149. *A Wife in the Right. Vide articles, 877, 1055.*

This piece hath afforded us so much entertainment in the perusal, that we cannot help thinking it merited a better fate than it met with, on the first and only night of its appearance, at the theatre in Covent-Garden.

Monthly Review.

1150. *Cupid's Revenge. Vide article, 1010.*

If there be any merit in this piece, it must lie in the music.

Monthly Review.

Though the general issue of this pastoral be early anticipated, the author has prevented that circumstance from diminishing the pleasure of his audience, by the variety of situations in which the persons of the drama are placed. The dialogue likewise is animated; and the changes produced in the several characters are accomplished naturally, and without any poetical violence.

Critical Review.

1151. *Fearne, on Contingent Remainders. Vide article, 982.*

This treatise discovers signal penetration, and must be considered as a valuable accession to legal investigations. The doctrine of contingent estates is undoubtedly abstruse and involved in perplexities; but the author's talents appear equal to his subject; and his successful attempt will, we hope, induce other practitioners of the law to explain the intricacies which, in general, disfigure the English laws, concerning property.

Monthly Review.

1152. *The Fencer's Guide; being a series of every branch required to compose a complete system of defence, whereby the admirers of fencing are gradually led from the first rudiments of that art, through the most complicated subtilities yet formed by imagination, or applied to practice, until the lessons, herein many ways varied, lead them insensibly on to the due methods of loose play, which are here laid down, with every precaution necessary for that practice. In four parts. Part first and second, contain such a general explication of the small sword, as admits of much greater variety and novelty than are to be found in any other work of this kind. Part the third, shews, in the use of the broad sword, such an uni-*

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versal knowledge of that weapon, as may be very applicable to the use of any other that a man can lawfully carry in his hand. Part the fourth, is a compound of the three former, explaining and teaching the cut-and-thrust, or spadron-play, and that in a more subtle and accurate manner than ever appeared in print. To these are added, particular lessons for the gentlemen of the horse-dragoons, and light-horse or hussars; with some necessary precautions, and an index, explaining every term of that art throughout the book. The whole being carefully collected from long experience and speculation, is calculated as a vade-mecum for gentlemen of the army, navy, universities, academies, &c. By Andrew Lonnergan, Teacher of the Military Sciences. 8vo. 7s. Printed for the author. Griffin, 1771.

The author professing to make his treatise as little expensive as possible, has added no copper-plates, as he thinks it must be generally granted that the pen can better describe motion than the pencil. He declares himself ready to explain to every enquirer any difficulty, or to clear up any doubts which may occur in the perusal of this book. He observes, for which we must take his word, that his directions are so plain and copious, that any two gentlemen, acquainted with the outlines of the science, may very much improve themselves by alternately giving and taking the lessons which he has laid down. Monthly Review.

1153. Whitchurch, on Education. *Vide* article, 574.

We are led to apprehend from the author's introduction, in which he is arming himself against opposition and censure, that he was going to propose some new mode of education, far superior to those in use. But our apprehensions subsided as we proceeded onward from one page to another, till, at last, we were perfectly satisfied that the author meant no injury to any system of nursing or education already established. The rules he lays down for the education of youth, in the several stages of their progress, are by no means unexceptionable; and the books he recommends to the perusal of his pupils, are not so judiciously selected as we could have wished. Many of his observations and directions, however, are pertinent and useful, and they have the advantage, for the most part, of being expressed in clear and intelligible language. Every effort for improving the system of education must be acceptable to the public; and in this view the work before us is not without its merit.

Monthly Review,

1154. The Beauties of English prose. *Vide* article, 746.

This collection appears to be, on the whole, judiciously and carefully executed, and is adapted both to entertain and improve. The work is divided alphabetically into twenty-three books, and the subjects are arranged in the same manner in chapters and sections. The compiler

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compiler has introduced essays of the humorous and amusing, as well as of the serious and moral kind; he has occasionally interspersed disquisitions in polite literature, and also endeavoured to give the young Briton some idea of the constitution of his country, from Dr. Blackstone's Commentaries. In short, those subjects are selected which inculcate the principles of religion and virtue, and at the same time, the elegant diction and purity of style of those writers, from whose works they are extracted, may contribute to improve the literary taste of the younger reader. Monthly Review.

1155. The Appeal. *Vide* article, 756.

In this appeal, Dr. Kent vindicates himself from the charges advanced against him, in certain reports, injurious to his reputation. Monthly Review.

1156. The Lives of John Leland, Thomas Hearne, and Anthony à Wood, &c. *Vide* article, 898.

Leland, Hearne and Wood were undoubtedly men of learning and intelligent antiquaries; but their industry was more to be commended than their genius. Their researches, however, have their value; and these accounts of their lives, connexions and publications are executed with exactness and ability.

Monthly Review.

1157. Some particulars of the Life of Jonathan Britain, who was executed at Bristol, for forgery, May 15, 1772. By a Gentleman, who attended him. With a preface, by the Rev. Mr. Rouquet. 8vo. 6d. Printed at Bristol. Cooke.

From this account it appears, that Britain was a true penitent and a real convert. For this fact we must rely, solely on the credit of "the gentleman who attended him," who, by his enthusiastic language, we conclude to be a methodist. Monthly Review.

1158. Kenrick's Letter to Garrick. *Vide* article, 1088.

Those who are curious to learn the grounds of Dr. Kenrick's quarrel with Mr. Garrick, and his motives for writing his Town Eclogue, will find them amply set forth in this pamphlet.

Monthly Review.

This letter is written in a strain of petulant invective and sarcasm. The pretended purport of it, is, to assure Mr. Garrick, that the satire was published merely from a desire of exposing him to ridicule, on account of the preference he had given to the compositions of an unfortunate dramatic author; though it must be evident to the most superficial reader, that if a certain comedy, had been performed at Drury-lane theatre, the public would not have been troubled with a poem equally injurious and illiberal.

Critical Review.

1159. The Toilet of Flora. *Vide* articles, 873, 1071.

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On looking over the very copious table of contents prefixed to this large collection of essences, perfumes, and lotions,—well might any handsome, healthy, and cleanly woman exclaim, with the philosopher in the fair, “*What a multitude of things are here, which I do not want!*” Monthly Review.

1160. The New Topic of Conversation; or Dialogues on the Abuse or Excess of Credit in Trade. Adapted to the present times. Second edition, 8vo. 1s. Murray.

An old tract revived, with a new title-page. These sentiments were offered to the consideration of the public, in the year 1766. They are now re-published to draw the attention of the prudent and considerate part of mankind toward the first and real source of the growing evils complained of. These dialogues met with our approbation. Monthly Review,

1161. Bayly's Grammar of the English Language. *Vide* article, 757.

This Grammar principally respects the English, offering, at the same time, those general rules in which all languages agree, which are printed in a larger letter, to keep them distinct from such as are confined to a particular tongue, and may be considered as idioms, which are therefore expressed in a smaller character. His account of the force and sound of some of our letters is very different from what is in common practice among us. His remarks and rules, in other respects, appear to be generally judicious, and worthy the regard, not only of youth, but of men: but we fear it will be very difficult to bring children to enter into his ideas.

Monthly Review;

1162. The Tutor and Book-keeper's Guide in Accounts. *Vide* article, 570.

Containing a useful summary of rules and examples for illustrating the practice of book-keeping. The author has comprized, within a narrow compass, every necessary instruction for the attainment of this important art. and he has furnished several specimens for the exercise of the learner. Monthly Review.

1163. Proposals for an Amendment of School Instruction. *Vide* articles, 421, 723.

The judicious reader who has turned his thoughts to the subject of education, will find some very pertinent observations in these proposals but little, if any thing, that is new. Monthly Review.

1164. Fables Amusantes : avec une table générale et particulière des mots, et de leur signification en Anglois, selon l'ordre des fables, pour en rendre la Traduction plus facile à l'Ecolier, Par Jean Perrin, 12mo, 2s. Law,

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This performance appears to be well calculated to answer the purpose intended by it. Monthly Review.

1165. *Curæ posteriores, &c. Vide article, 853.*

The philological disquisitions in these additional notes of Mr. Toup's, are deep, and the conjectures, where nothing but conjecture could be had recourse to, acute. Monthly Review.

1166. *A Review of Wesley's Doctrines. Vide article, 760.*

The work of Mr. Hill, who wrote the Five letters to Mr. Fletcher, of Madely, author of the 1st, 2d and 3d Checks to Antinomianism. Vide article, 342. Our author, though a Saint, is occasionally a waggish one, and the reader will meet with more diversion than edification. Monthly Review.

1167. *A Third Check to Antinomianism. Vide article, 769.*

Mr. Fletcher here answers Mr. Hill's Five Letters; and he seems in general to conduct his part of the dispute with more temper, candor and decency, than we usually find in controversial writers. Monthly Review.

1168. *Friendly Remarks, &c. Vide article, 1004.*

*Another attack on the author of the Three Checks, made by a person, who, if we mistake not his hints relating to himself, hath lately sallied forth in quest of spiritual adventures; in other words, who hath commenced itinerant or field-preacher *. He writes like a man of ability, in his way, and pushes his antagonist very hard on the mystical subjects in debate, among these jarring disseminators of enthusiasm.* Monthly Review.

** Mr. Hill, a son of Sir Rowland Hill; we believe, the author of article 1165.* Univ. Catalogue.

1169. *Some Remarks on a Third Check to Antinomianism. Vide article, 879.*

This bootless controversy seems to be dying away. Our sensible remarker here takes leave of it; and peace be to it's manes!

Monthly Review.

1170. *Porteus's two Sermons. Vide article, 845.*

Well adapted to the state and character of the present age. Serious, plain, agreeable and practicable. Calculated both to convince and persuade the reader. Monthly Review.

1171. *Wolstenholme's Examination, why the Quakers pay no tithes. Vide articles, 753, 1062.*

As to the divine right of tithes, it is a point of doctrine which, we believe, will not, in the present age, be much insisted on; but that the ministers of religion should be decently and comfortably

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ably supported, in the discharge of their office, is a plain dictate of natural sense, truth and justice, as well as piety: and certainly, in this view, our author has greatly the advantage of his opponents.

Monthly Review.

1172. An Address to the serious and candid Professors of Christianity. *Vide* articles, 952, 992.

The appeal to which this address relates, consisted only of one sheet, treating on the points specified in the title in a serious manner, but in a strain very different from what has been commonly called orthodox faith. This author apprehends that the sentiments there delivered and recommended, are very distant from the truth of scripture, and prejudicial to the interests of real religion. He therefore publishes this little treatise as a vindication of the Calvinistical judgment upon the above points. He appears to be a sensible man, who knows how to defend his subject, and what is much more important, a man who desires to advance the cause of piety and virtue, and the true happiness of mankind.

Monthly Review.

1173. Candid Thoughts on the dissenting Minister's late application to parliament. *Vide* article, 990.

The author of these thoughts is one of those dissenters who were dissatisfied with the bill, which lately passed the House of Commons, for an alteration of the toleration act. To this he is influenced by his zeal for the Trinitarian and Calvinistical articles of the Church of England. He disclaims, however, all principles of intolerance, and proposes the following scheme. "Let the present mode of qualification, as required by the act of toleration, remain in full force for the benefit of those who choose to distinguish themselves by their regard to the doctrinal articles of the Church of England; as also for the benefit of those who may find it difficult to obtain a certificate under the hands of three regular approved ministers, so that they may be sheltered under the wings of the law. This being done, let there be a petition to legislature, that a clause may be added to the toleration act, answerable to the tenor of the prayer made for relief."

Monthly Review.

1174. Remarks on Mauduit's Postscript, &c. *Vide* articles, 1000, 1043.

These remarks so entirely relate to what happened at the private meetings of the dissenting clergy, that it is impossible for us to form a proper judgment concerning them; nor can the subject be interesting to the generality of our readers.

Monthly Review.

1175. Farquhar's Sermons. *Vide* article, 899.

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After so respectable a recommendation, as that which we see announced in the title-page, of the posthumous discourses now before us, we hath nothing to add, but that we entirely agree with the learned editors in their opinion, "that in these sermons, a good judge will be at no loss to discern, in the preacher, an eminent clearness of apprehension, a correctness of taste, a lively imagination, and a delicate sensibility to all the finest feelings of which human nature is susceptible." Monthly Review.

1176. Makittrick's Commentaries on the Practice of Physic. *Vide* article, 1009.

Whatever objections have been made to the pernicious influence of theory, in the practice of physic, the establishment of rational principles, concurring with the dictates of experience, will forever be held unquestionably necessary, for carrying the medical science towards perfection, and preserving it from the reproach of empirism. In order to attain these ends, nothing can be of greater utility, than such a work as now lies before us, where the author conducts his enquiries by the united aid of reason and observation, and where the principles of the constituent parts of practical knowledge are illustrated by apposite examples. It might be considered as tacitly detracting from the praise to which this author is justly entituled, not to acknowledge the great labour which this undertaking must have cost him. Though only half of the work is now published, we have sufficient ground for anticipating a laudable execution of the remaining part. In the scheme of the physiology and pathology here delineated, Dr. Makittrick has laid the foundation of a rational system of practical knowledge; and his propositions are constructed with such a degree of perspicuous brevity and extent of application, as to comprehend, in a narrow view, the most essential principles of nosology. Critical Review.

1177. Infernal Conference. *Vide* article, 1098.

The author of the present strange performance has occupied the greatest part of two tedious volumes, with uninteresting and unprofitable disputations, concerning the various sects and heresies into which the christian religion has been split, and particularly concerning those points which have divided the reformed churches. From some provincial idioms, observable in the style; we suspect him to be a Scotchman, and he appears to be one of those writers, whose industry would be more properly employed in the exercise of some useful trade, than in endeavours to instruct and entertain the public. Critical Review.

1178. Hull's genuine Letters from a Gentleman to a young Lady, his pupil. *Vide* article, 996.

This series of letters appears, at first sight, to be consigned wholly to literary instruction, but the writer has artfully interwoven many useful precepts for his fair pupils conduct, which are likely

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likely to have a greater effect, being introduced, as if by accident, and with the illustration of examples, than if they had been delivered in a regular, systematical manner. An explanation of the beauties to be met with in books recommended to the pupils perusal, the tutor seems to have considered as the most proper method of forming her taste; this therefore has been his task; and we find many of his criticisms to be pertinent and judicious; we wish we could say as much of the notes and illustrations which the editor has added: they are, indeed, so very inconsiderable in number and quantity, that had they not been announced in capitals, on the title-page, the reader might easily have overlooked them, and Mr. Thomas Hull, of the Theatre-Royal in Covent-Garden; not have obtained the reputation of an annotator. However, they are undoubtedly published with the most laudable intention, and the perusal of them cannot fail of being serviceable to young ladies.

Critical Review.

These letters display the faithful assiduity of a teacher, instructing a young pupil whom he loved. They commence at an early period in life, and therefore the instructions in the first part of them are discussed with a minuteness and industry, fitted solely to juvenile minds. In their progress, they become more important and extend, at length, to an investigation of polite literature, so far as it ought to be the object of a lady's study. In these observations, Homer and Virgil are very conspicuous; the miscellaneous writers of France and England are occasionally commented on, and their principal poets, particularly the dramatic. From thence the author descends to a more minute illustration of poetry and its several requisites, digressing occasionally to observations on a proper conduct in life and manners. But, in delivering these instructions for education, the author does not treat them as a system: they are dispersed irregularly thro' a correspondence, in which the friend is more conspicuous than the tutor. After this account of the book, we have only to observe, that many excellent observations are made in it, but in a style very inaccurate. With respect to the editor, if we allow that he has uniformly exerted himself as a friend of morality and virtue, thro' his few illustrations of the text, it will be allowing him all he deserves. His notes are not always pertinent, nor are his illustrations very material.

Lond. Magazine.

These letters were penned by the late celebrated Dr. King of Oxford, who was Godfather to the lady to whom they were written.

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1179. The Tour to Holland, &c. *Vide* articles, 852, 1020.

This account is written in the form of letters, and is generally, pretty entertaining.

Critical Review.

1180. Northcote's History of Anatomy. *Vide* article, 1086.

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In this history Mr. Northcote generally mentions the most remarkable discoveries that were made in anatomy by the various professors of that art. He has traced the subject from its earliest origin to the time of Jean Palsyn, who in 1729, published a book in osteology, and afterwards another treatise. The narration, tho' sometimes not void of inelegance of expression, is plain and perspicuous, and will afford satisfaction to those who are desirous of knowing the gradual improvements which have been made in the science of anatomy.

Critical Review.

1181. Falck, on the Venereal Disease. *Vide* article, 1111.

This book being intended as a complete treatise on the subject, the author has begun with an anatomical and physiological description of the genital parts of both sexes, which he has delineated in an accurate and lively manner. He has indulged himself in a few digressions, not absolutely necessary for the purpose of useful information; but they discover such a luxuriancy of fancy, chastised, at the same time, by the purest moral sentiments, that whilst they serve to relax the mind from its attention to the anatomical detail, they neither degenerate into insipid declamation nor lascivious indecency. The second part of this work commences with an account of the origin, formation, nature, infection and progress of the venereal disease in general; he then proceeds to the various symptoms and the cure of it, presenting us with a system of pathology, which, though foreign indeed to his subject, is rendered interesting, and abounds with just observations. He evidently possesses a commendable spirit of enquiry, but the arguments he produces in support of his own opinions, are frequently more plausible than solid; and led astray by false analogy, we find him sometimes pursuing the shadow, instead of the substance of truth. He has infused into this volume, however, a copious fund of reflection on various medical subjects, which, by the declamatory stile of the work, will we doubt not, prove agreeable to readers, who are not of the profession. At the end of the volume, there are a few excellent plates, exhibiting the representation of the genital parts of both sexes.

Critical Review.

1182. Considerations on Money, Bullion, &c. *Vide* article, 455.

In the course of this performance, the author has considered the various opinions of some of the most eminent writers, upon the British coinage, but chiefly confines himself to the works of Locke, Lowndes, and Harris. In order to convey a general idea of the nature and state of our coinage, he exhibits a table, shewing the money coined at the Mint, from the reign of Queen Elizabeth to the present time; and, in the conclusion of his work, throws out many elegant and curious observations relative to commercial affairs.

Critical Review.

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1183. Fletcher's *Piscatory Eclogues*. *Vide* article, 582, 1027.

Without the smallest hesitation, we admit these eclogues to possess poetical merit, in a high degree. They are generally written in a plaintive strain, and breathe a pleasing tenderness of eliagiac sentiment. In point of simplicity, however, we cannot exempt them from censure; for they abound with affected antitheses, unnatural conceits in thought and quaintness of expression, which nothing but the vitiated taste of the age in which they were written, can possibly excuse. The imagery, for the most part, is beautiful and well adapted to piscatory composition. The eclogues are seven in number, and to them are added three short familiar epistles, composed in an agreeable strain of poetry. They were once printed, but 130 years since. Critical Review.

Appearing to possess some degree of poetical merit, but too often disfigured by pedantry and affectation. Ledger.

1184. Northcote's *Methodus prescribendi, &c.* *Vide* article, 1085.

This volume presents us with the dispensatories made use of in almost all the hospitals in London and other places. At the beginning, a method is delivered, for preparing some particular medicines, and at the end is a posological table. The work may be useful, in shewing a variety of prescriptions. Critical Review.

1185. *Formulæ Medicamentorum; or a Compendium of the modern practice of physick.* To which is prefixed, an essay on the effects and uses of blood-letting. By Hugh Smith, M. D. 12mo. 5s. Johnston.

The two treatises which compose this volume have formerly been published separately, and are now printed together for the convenience of medical students. As a superficial compendium, the formulæ may certainly be of some advantage to young practitioners.

Critical Review.

1186. Goulard's *Remarks on Venereal Complaints.* *Vide* article, 1105.

Besides many useful remarks and practical observations on venereal disorders, this useful volume contains a multiplicity of cases, confirming the utility of Mr. Goulard's preparations of lead in those complaints, and the representation he has given of the efficacy of his medicines, is supported by honourable testimonials from the Royal Academy of surgery and other societies in France.

Critical Review.

1187. *The Excellency of the Knowledge of Jesus Christ.* By the Rev. John Liborius Zimmermann. Translated by Moses Browne. 12mo. 3s. Dilly.

We have long since had a sufficient quantity of theological lumber, the productions of dreaming enthusiasts, calvinists and methodists,

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Whodists, and we are sorry to find that any writer has thought it necessary to import an additional cargo of the same kind of rubbish from Germany. The performance which we are now considering is of this nature, and seems to be calculated for no other purpose, but to suppress all the efforts of reason, to extinguish every spark of our zeal and activity in the duties of religion, and throw the mind into a spiritual stupidity: and it is translated by one whose language is as poor and nonsensical, as the divinity it contains.

Critical Review.

1188. The Agreement of Reason with sacred Revelation, &c. *Vide* article, 1087.

This publication contains about a dozen short and superficial essays. Critical Review.

1189. Seyer's Address to the Members of the Church of England. *Vide* articles, 777, 920.

The design of this little tract is to explain the liturgy, and enable common people to attend the service of the Church in a manner becoming devout and rational Christians. Critical Review.

1190. Real Scriptural Predestination asserted and defended, &c. *Vide* articles, 738, 918.

The real scriptural predestination, which this writer asserts and defends against Mr. Madan, is, the fore-design of God to have a peculiar people, under the Gospel, from among the Gentiles, as he had before among the Jews. Mr. Madan's scriptural proofs in defence of the Calvinistic scheme of election and reprobation, are here, not indeed, very elaborately, but sufficiently refuted.

Critical Review.

1191. Religion displayed, &c. *Vide* articles, 417, 914.

The design of the compiler of this volume is to give young people and others, who have not time and opportunity to read much, a true and feeling sense of religion and the excellency of virtue, and to supply them with just and noble thoughts for the regulation of their lives. The principles of religion are explained with tolerable perspicuity, without the subtleties of controversial divinity. The examples are selected from antient and modern history; the maxims from various authors, the poetical pieces from Milton, Addison, Pope, Thomson and others. Books of this kind are seldom the productions of genius or taste. The work may stand in the second class of moral miscellanies.

Critical Review.

1192. The whole duty of a Mother. *Vide* articles, 98, 915.
A work of which we can form no favourable idea.

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1193. Letters of Mr. the Abbot of * * *, Ex Professor of the Hebrew language in the University of * * *, to Mr. Kennicott, of the Royal Society in London, and member of the College of Exeter, in the University of Oxford. Translated from the French. 8vo. 2s. 6d. sewed. Evans.

A severe attack on Dr. Kennicott. The author, who appears to be well acquainted with the Hebrew language, has undertaken to prove that Dr. Kennicott's work is useless and superficial, his manuscripts full of gross blunders, and his corrections injudicious. How far he has evinced these important charges, the learned must determine.

Critical Review.

1194. Radcliff's Sermon. *Vide* article, 999.

Well-written and animated, in favour of religious liberty.

Critical Review.

1195. An Enquiry into the Scripture-meaning of the word Satan, &c. *Vide* article, 1012.

A notable attempt to expel the Devil out of the Universe.

Critical Review.

1196. The Cooper. *Vide* articles, 878, 1031.

The fable of this entertainment is simple and conducted in an agreeable manner; while the incident of the tub is particularly well contrived to afford an audience the pleasure which arises from the sight of a ludicrous translation. Dr. Arne has also exerted his distinguished musical abilities to encrease the merit of the performance.

Critical Review.

1197. Love in the Suds. *Vide* articles, 777, 1028.

Never were truth and character more flagrantly violated than by the sentiments which the satyrist has here invidiously ascribed to the reputed Rescius. Whatever indignation the author may excite in the heart of that gentleman, he seems to have paid an involuntary compliment to Mr. G's fame, as well as exposed his own imbecility in attempting to inflict a moral wound, where the reputation of the object is invulnerable.

Critical Review.

1198. Edwards's Letter to John Hanbury, Esq; *Vide* articles, 775, 925.

This letter contains such evident proof of ingenuity, such honest freedom, tempered with candor, and such generous warmth of expostulation, extorted by oppression, that we sincerely sympathize with the author in his present distressful circumstances.

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1199. An Essay explaining the mode of executing a work, entitled, A new Description of England and Wales, &c. *Vide* article, 986.

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The Critical Review, upon this article gives no more than a short account of the work, which we have given before.

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1200. *Spatogenesia*. The Origin and Nature of Spar; it's qualities and uses; with a description of 89 species of fossils. Arranged, 1. in an artificial, and 2. in a natural method. A specimen of a general distribution. By J. Hill, M. D. Member of the Imperial Academy. 8vo. 64 pages. Elmsley.

We confess that, for our part, we are not acquainted with so many species of Spar as Dr. Hill here enumerates; but admitting, upon his authority, that they really exist, his account of them is both explicit and concise.

Critical Review.

We are here taught that all kinds of spar rise from chalk, clay, bitumen, talc, and the mineral acid, variously mixed. Dr. Hill, in a course of fables, has arranged them according to their species and genus, and given us a general account of the different sorts under the following heads, form, hardness, weight, surface, colour, qualities, place of growth, and use that is made of it; by which any one genus may be readily known. He has also added a whole sheet table, shewing the origination of their forms and colours, according to what kind of substances they have run thro', before concretion. A work exceedingly useful and instructive to the naturalist.

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1201. *Philosophical Transactions*, giving some account of the present undertakings, studies, and labours of the ingenious in many considerable parts of the world. 2 vols. 4to. called part I. and II. making together Vol. LXI. for the year 1771. 693 pages, besides 15 of contents, &c. and various maps, cuts, &c.

These volumes are annually published under the inspection of a committee and the patronage of the Royal Society, being a valuable collection of papers laid before them, from time to time, by men of genius, enquiry, and learning. They are too well known to need any comment: All we shall do, is to enumerate the principal contents. These pages then, among others, contain the following papers. 1. Remarks on the nature of the soil of Naples and its neighbourhood. 2. An observation of the transit of Mercury over the Sun, November 9, 1769. 3. Observations on the heat of the ground, on Mount Vesuvius. 4. Description of a bird from the East-Indies. 5. The manner in which the Chinese heat their rooms. 6. An account of a remarkable thunder storm. 7. Remarks on various coins. 8. Extract of two letters from M. Messier of France on a new comet. 9. Description and use of a new portable observatory, made by Nairne. 10. Experiments to shew the nature of aurum mosaicum. 11. Observations on chefnut-trees. 12. An account of the Nyl-ghau, an Indian animal. 13. Remarks on the weather, viz. cold and rain. 14. Observations on

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Some bivalve insects, found in common water, and an account of a singular fish from the South Sea. 15. An account of Elden-Hole in Derbyshire. 16. Ditto of two new tortoises. 17. Ditto of a mole from North America. 18. On the management of carp in Polish Prussia. 19. Experiments on putrefaction. 20. An account of some particular plants. 21. An enquiry into the value of the ancient Greek and Roman money. 22. An account of the going of an astronomical clock. 23. A ditto of a pure native chrysalised natron, or fossile alkaline salt found in Tripoli. 24. A ditto of some Basalt hills in Hesse. And 25. An attempt to explain some of the phænomena of electricity, by means of an elastic fluid. To the first part is prefixed a list of the presents that have been made to the Royal Society in the year 1771, with the names of the donors.

1202. *The Art of planting and cultivating the Vine; as also of making, fining and preserving Wines, &c. according to the most approved Methods in the most celebrated Wine Countries in France. Compiled for the Use of such as intend to prosecute that beneficial and national Branch of Commerce and Agriculture in America, and particularly for that of the Colony at New-Bourdeaux. By Louis de Saint Pierre, Esq. one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for Granville-Country, and Captain of the Company of Militia, consisting of the French Vine-dressers, established at New-Bourdeaux, in South-Carolina. 12mo. 344 pages, besides 40 of introduction, &c. with two copper-plates of a Wine-press. Wilkie.*

The whole business of the vineyard, from the cultivation of the ground to the perfecting of the wine, is here fully and particularly given, by one, who has not confined himself merely to laying the plan of making America a wine country, but who has employed his whole time in the profession; by which means, he has procured such a quantity of plants of the best growth of Champagne and Burgundy, as, in a little time, will be sufficient to stock the whole country. He has prevailed on 150 families in his neighbourhood, to embark with him in planting of vineyards, and making of wine; and having obtained his Majesty's encouragement and patronage, means to dedicate the remainder of his life to the prosecution of this noble design. To this account, he has prefixed an address to the British nation and to the inhabitants of British America, shewing the practicability of making America a wine country, equal to any other in Europe, and the great advantages that must attend it; endeavouring to persuade the Americans to the planting of Vineyards, the soil being no less favourable for the purpose than the climate. He has adopted, throughout the volume, the terms of art, made use of in the French vineyards, but, at the end, has given an explanation of them.

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1203. The Poll of the Freeholders of Wiltshire, for electing a Knight of the Shire. Taken at Wilton, on the 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st of August, 1772. 2s. Printed at Salisbury. Horsfield.

Authentic.

1204. Chronology; or the Historian's Vade-Mecum. Wherein every remarkable occurrence in our own History, from the Descent of Julius Cæsar to the present Time, as well as most of the principal Events of ancient History, are accurately and alphabetically recorded, with the Dates affixed. Together with a full and exact Chronology of the most eminent Men in all Ages of the World; with several useful Lists. Designed for the Pocket, in order to set People right in Conversation. By the Rev. John Trusler, D. D. The fifth Edition, in Eighteens; writing paper; with considerable Additions and Improvements. 122 pages. 1s. 6d. sewed. Bladon, Bell, &c. *Vide article, 116.*

This book running through a very large impression, in the course of five months, and being bought with great avidity, is a strong proof of its utility. It is printed in a very small letter and thin paper, purposely that it may lie in a pocket-book. This edition is, by far, the best that has appeared; it is embellished with an elegantly engraved frontispiece and contains upwards of 5000 articles, above one fourth of which appear to have been added now. We do not know so useful a pocket-oracle; no material occurrence, nor any remarkable person, being omitted: and what renders it of still more value, we find it, on a careful and repeated examination, to be exceedingly correct. By way of appendix, is added, a list of the Kings of every Country, the Roman Emperors, the Lord Lieutenants of Ireland, the Chancellors of Oxford and Cambridge, all the Bishops, &c. &c. for many years back. In short, it is compiled on the plan of the Brief Chronology, that may be seen in every common sheet almanack, and will answer almost all the purposes of Blair's Chronology, a book that sells for five pounds.

1205. Useful, easy Directions for Seamen, who use Hadley's Quadrant; shewing to the meanest capacity, how to hold the quadrant, to take the fore and the back observations of the sun and of a star, and the meaning of the observations.—How to examine whether the index-glass and the fore and back horizon-glasses stand in a right posture; and how to set them right, when they do not stand right.—The meaning of what is called the dip of the horizon, or the height of the eye above the waters; and how to find it by the quadrant.—The meaning of what is called the refraction of the air, and how to prove it.—Many other very necessary things, which every seaman, who uses the quadrant, should understand, if he be desirous

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desirous of knowing the meaning of what he is about. 8vo. 46 pages, and a copper-plate frontispiece of explanatory figures. 1s. 6d. Richardson and Urquhart.

We are told, in the title-page, that a book of this kind has been much desired by some seamen, and it may be very useful to many; and we believe it, it containing nothing but what is necessary for a seaman to know in the use of this instrument. Mr. Ludlam published some directions, for the same purpose, in the course of last year (vide articles, 158, 159), but they do not seem so well adapted to an ordinary capacity, as these before us. It is not indeed a masterly composition, in point of language, but it is sufficient for the design.

1206. A Sketch of the Secret History of Europe, since the Peace of Paris; with observations on the present critical state of Great-Britain. 8vo. 39 pages. 1s. Murray.

The production of some well-informed, fore-sighted politician, very sensibly written, and though his apprehensions may, in some respects, be imaginary, yet there is too much reason for what he says. He attributes the troubles in Denmark, Sweden and Poland, the war between the Russians and the Turks, and the late disputes between us and Spain, to the machinations of the French, and foresees, that if measures are not taken to prevent it, it is more than probable, that France will soon unite with Spain, Prussia and Sweden, to our destruction. He shudders to see the indifference of England during the present commotions; wishes not to conclude on alliance with Russia and Denmark, and set out with sending a fleet into the Baltic, and compelling the King of Sweden to relinquish his ambitious designs and unite with us, by which means, says he, the King of Prussia will find himself obliged to accede, and be likewise of the alliance and thus the ballance of power be on our side, and the public tranquillity secured.

1207. Ermina; or the Fair Recluse. A novel. In a series of Letters, by a Lady, author of Dorinda Catesby. 2 vols. 12mo. 440 pages in the two. 6s. bound. Bladon. *Vide article, 1145, &c.*

Called The Fair Recluse, from the heroine of the piece being obliged, through misfortunes, to live in retired life. After, however, some unforeseen inconveniencies, she emerges from them all, and becomes a happy woman. The characters are drawn in high life, though but indifferently supported. The incidents are not very natural, but the pages are pleasingly penned, and contain some valuable characters. Upon the whole, as there is nothing very interesting or entertaining in the piece, we must range it among the class of inspid novels.

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1208. Grosley's Tour to London. *Vide* articles, 739, 941.

Tho' Mr. Grosley is an eminent and respectable author, his remarks on England and its inhabitants are very imperfect, and often astonishingly erroneous. But, amidst the many imperfections and errors with which his work is evidently chargeable, there are a number of judicious remarks, amusing anecdotes, curious enquiries, and ingenious investigations, which testify the writer's acquaintance both with men and books. Monthly Review.

1209. An Enquiry into the Scripture-meaning of the Word Satan, &c. *Vide* articles, 1012, 1195.

The production of a bold adventurous reasoner, calling the very being of Satan into question. His design is to shew, by a regular and particular induction of all the texts in both testaments, which have been generally supposed to relate to Satan and his kingdom, that no such doctrine as that of a fall of angels is taught in any of them; and that no such being as Satan is mentioned in them. We readily agree with him in what he has, at present, advanced; but how this ingenious writer will make out, when he comes to consider the passages in the new testament, which are to be the subject of some future publication, we are not able to conjecture.

Monthly Review.

1210. Hulme, on the Puerperal Fever. *Vide* articles, 377, 472, 640.

This author appears to have thrown some new light upon his subject, both with regard to its seat and cause. With respect to its seat particularly, he differs from all those who have hitherto treated of this disorder, and apparently on the surest grounds; the inspection of the bodies of those who have died of it. After a particular description of the disease, he points out the characteristic marks which distinguish it from those other disorders to which it has the greatest affinity; then goes on to give the prognostics, and concludes with the method of cure, which he has found most successful.

Monthly Review.

1211. Killarney, a Poem. *Vide* articles, 603, 670.

Beautifully descriptive, harmonious, and poetic.

Monthly Review.

1212. Hull's genuine Letters from a gentleman to a young Lady; &c. *Vide* articles, 996, 1178.

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sexes; and well-calculated in many respects to answer that laudable intention. They breathe a strain of the purest morality; and while they tend to form the heart to virtue, they open the understanding, and improve the taste. It were to be wished, however, that the editor had omitted a number of frivolous communications, and that he had given a higher polish to their style and manner. Their author appears to be a man of good sense and probity, and, in every respect, well qualified to act in the capacity of tutor.

Monthly Review.

1213. *Guys's Sentimental Journey thro' Greece. Vide articles, 896, 1048.*

Tho' M. De Guys has been fortunate in the choice of his subject, he has not, in general, been successful in treating it. His classical knowledge, is, indeed, considerable; and a long residence at Constantinople, under the protection of the King of France, allowed him frequent opportunities of making excursions into Greece, but these are poor compensations for the want of philosophy and acuteness of mind. A writer may collect facts, without knowing their value; he may entertain by his vivacity, while he wants ability to reason; and he may be various in his matter, without possessing the talent of arrangement. Such we should conceive is the author of this journey. The translator does not appear to have been altogether unequal to his undertaking; tho' his version, it must be acknowledged, bears evident marks of inattention; and we think he ought to have aimed at a greater purity of expression. Monthly Review.

1214. *Priestley's Directions for impregnating Water with fixed Air. Vide article, 978.*

With a particular view to the health of that valuable order of men, who, from the nature of their diet and other circumstances, are most exposed to the want of anti-putrescent food, the author of this essay here describes a cheap and easy method of combining a large portion of fixed air, which is an antiseptic element, with water. He recommends this air also to be breathed in ulcerated lungs, but experiments of this kind require considerable caution.

Monthly Review.

1215. *Sermons on various Subjects. By Gregory Sharpe, LL. D. late Minister of the Temple, Chaplain in Ordinary to his Majesty, F. R. S. and F. A. S. Vide article, 944.*

The late Dr. Gregory Sharpe was a man of very considerable rank in the learned world, a great orientalist, a sagacious critic, and a rational preacher. A volume of pulpit discourses, therefore, from so able a divine, cannot but prove highly acceptable, in particular, to all who are acquainted with his uncommon abilities and merit. The volume consists of 18 sermons, 16 of which are published in consequence of the author's desire. They are sensible and ingenious compositions, serious, pious and practical.

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1216. *Georgical*

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1216. *Georgical Essays*. Vols. III. and IV. *Vide article*, 588.

Worthy of all the encouragement it has met with.

Monthly Review.

1217. *The Advantages and Disadvantages of inclosing waste Lands and open Fields, impartially stated and considered. By a Country Gentleman.* 12mo. 87 pages. 1s. 6d. Almon.

We have here a number of curious estimates and computations, accompanied with suitable deductions and dispassionate arguments; all tending to evince the great utility, both to the landholder in particular, and the public in general, of those inclosures of waste lands, against which so much popular clamour has been raised. In a word, he treats the subject with so much candour, as well as judgment, that we cannot, in justice to the writer, or the public, withhold our hearty commendation of this small, but sensible and useful tract.

Monthly Review.

1218. *Hope's Letters on certain Proceedings in Parliament.*

Vide article, 1112.

In regard to the importance of the contents of these letters, with respect to the public, we have nothing to offer in their commendation. The writer's integrity, however, certainly deserves applause, whatever may be thought of his politics or his policy.

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1219. *Report of the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, on the Petition of the Hon. Thomas Walpole, Benjamin Franklin, John Sargent, and Samuel Wharton, Esqrs. and their Associates, for a Grant of Lands on the River Ohio in North-America, for the Purpose of erecting a new Government. With Observations and Remarks.* 8vo. 2s. Almon.

Those who are desirous of learning the particulars of this intended undertaking, will find a thorough and complete investigation of them in the present tract; they will see what were the objections stated at the Board of Trade; and they will be farther enabled to judge of the propriety of the design, from the observations on, and answers to their lordship's report:—Which answers (as far as we are qualified to pronounce) appear to be irrefragable, and to have fully evinced the expediency, practicability, and rectitude of the intended establishment.

Monthly Review.

1220. *The Life and Adventures of Timothy Ginnadrake.* Printed at Bath, for the Author. *Vide article*, 1053.

Timothy Ginnadrake, the hero of this tale, gives us the important history of a musician belonging to the band of public performers at Bath. His adventures (most of which seem to have had their foundation in fact) are chiefly of the humorous cast: Some of them are laughable enough; though all are rather of low

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degree. *They may serve to set the alehouse tables in a roar, but will hardly contribute much to the entertainment of the company.*

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The two first of these volumes were published some time since; the last, which completes the work, has, at length, made its appearance. They are said to be written by a musician at Bath, and contain the history of a whimsical fidler, who meets with some incidents that are not totally destitute of entertainment; but the greatest part of the work consists of low attempts at humour, delivered in a very incorrect and slovenly language. The third volume comprehends a short description of Bath and some anecdotes of the late Mr. Nash, with a number of insipid pages, relating to the frivolous contest for master of the ceremonies, about a year or two ago.

Ledger.

1221. *Russell's Fables.* Vide articles, 766, 807.

Although these are not the most elegant compositions of the kind, there is a propriety of sentiment in many of the fables, and an ease of versification in most of them, that will not fail to raise them above contempt.

Monthly Review.

1222. *A Review of The Senators. Part II.* 4to. 30 pages. 1s. 6d. Wilkie. Vide article, 1142, &c.

— “About it, goddess! and about it!”

Monthly Review.

Incorrigibly bad. The virtuous Lord Clive is the hero of this part.

Lond. Magazine.

1223. *Keir's Thoughts on the Affairs of Bengal.* Vide article, 1114.

Mr. Keir may possibly understand his subject, but he is a bad writer. This piece is full of vulgar phrases and Scottish idioms.

Monthly Review.

These thoughts contain nothing which has not appeared in more important publications; and if they are defective in matter, they are no less so, with regard to composition.

Universal Mag.

The design of this pamphlet is to trace the true causes of the several abuses in India to their source, and to point out the proper method of rectifying of these abuses, and establishing the affairs of that country upon settled and natural principles. Mr. Keir's arguments are drawn from experience, and he writes like a man, who is well acquainted with his subject.

Lond. Magazine.

1224. *Papers, Letters, and Calculations, relative to the Laudable Society for the Benefit of Widows.* Printed at the Recommendation of a General Meeting of the Society, held April 6, 1772. Printed by M. Harrison, opposite Stationer's-Hall. 8vo. No publisher's name.

The calculations of Mr. Harris and Mr. Horsfall, contained

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in this collection, are of such general utility, that we cannot forbear recommending them to the public attention. They were primarily intended for the reformation of the Laudable Society, and deserve the careful and candid examination of every member capable of disquisitions of this nature. The conclusions they have drawn from the most unquestionable principles, however different from those on which this society was first established, demand the approbation of every individual concerned in it. These principles and conclusions may be very easily and usefully applied to the benefit societies of the same kind, which have been already instituted: and in this view, we recommend them to their notice. N. B. This collection contains an excellent letter of Dr. Price's, together with some additional remarks on the same subject. Monthly Review.

1225. Kirke's Minutes of the Court-Martial, held on John Crookshanks, Esq. *Vide* article, 894.

The Monthly Review contains no other than a brief account of the work, and the motives of its publication, which we have given before.

Univ. Catalogue.

The title-page of this pamphlet fully displays its contents.

Critical Review.

1226. Crookshanks's Letter to Kirke. *Vide* article, 1095.

A Reply to the foregoing remarks. Critical Review.

This letter is chiefly apologetical; ironically thanking Mr. K. for having, by his publication of the Minutes, &c. given him (Mr. C.) an opportunity of printing here some letters and anecdotes in favour of his own conduct and character.

Monthly Review.

1227. Hughes's Complete Horseman. *Vide* article, 1091.

Purloined, chiefly from Thomson's Rules for bad Horsemen, an excellent little tract.

Monthly Review.

Mr. Hughes appears to be equally conversant in the theory and practice of the art which he professes; and if his attitudes on horseback excite our astonishment, the precepts he delivers, with respect to riding, have some claim to our indulgence.

Critical Review.

1228. The Queen of Denmark's Account of the late Revolution, &c. *Vide* article, 1100.

A piece of authorship.

Monthly Review.

1229. The Marchioness of Pompadour's Letters. *Vide* article, 758.

Whatever literary merit the series of letters contained in the former volumes may possess, we think that the present correspondence is by no means of inferior worth. It abounds with sensible remarks, agreeable sallies of imagination and notable anecdotes; and may (so far as the reader can consider it as genuine) contri-

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bute to give the public a very advantageous opinion of this celebrated lady's mental abilities. Monthly Review.

1230. Observations on the Popery Laws. *Vide* articles, 386, 548.

According to the representation of facts contained in this publication, it seems apparent, that the abolition of the popery laws, while it might conciliate to government the affections of the Roman Catholics, would give industry, wealth and population to Ireland. The tract is written with great judgment, and with much force of expression. Monthly Review.

This writer is a warm advocate for the Roman Catholics of Ireland, whom he represents as greatly oppressed by what are called the popery laws, the severity of which he strenuously insists ought to be remitted, in order to reconcile the people to the present government, and advance the welfare and happiness of our sister kingdom. Ledger.

1231. Fumifugium. *Vide* article, 859.

This tract was first published in 1661; and to the hints contained in it, we are perhaps obliged, in a considerable degree, for the many improvements which have been gradually making in our metropolis, from the days of Charles II. to those of George III.

1232. The History and Antiquities of Rochester. *Vide* article, 1094.

From a cursory inspection of this compilement, it appears to be executed with judgment, and even with a degree of taste.—It really seems to be an entertaining performance. Monthly Review.

To those who have been at Rochester, and have a taste for antiquities, this work cannot fail of being acceptable. It contains an account of its ancient walls and streets, of all its principal buildings, its civil and ecclesiastical history, the dock yard at Chatham, a description of the towns and villages situated near the road from London to Margate, &c.—It is embellished with a plan of the city of Rochester and several other elegant engravings.

Critical Review.

This performance is minute and circumstantial; and, though written with no elegance of expression, is valuable for the facts it contains. Univ. Magazine.

1233. The Theatrical Review. *Vide* article, 1090.

These theatrical criticisms have already appeared, in detail in the Public Ledger; and collectively, in this republication, may be recommended to the generality of those who are fond of dramatic amusements, as an agreeable and entertaining book.

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1234. Letters of M. the Abbot of ***, &c. to Dr. Kennicott. *Vide* article, 1193.

This severe attack on Dr. Kennicott is not recommended by the care and accuracy either of the translator or the printer. It contains a number of heavy censures; but it may be suspected that there is envy or resentment in the case, or some other secret and unjustifiable motive which produces all these invectives. Be that as it may; it is not impossible but Dr. Kennicott may be able to avail himself of some of the hints, however unkindly intended, which are thrown out in this invective performance. Monthly Review.

1235. Sermons on different Subjects. By the late Rev. John Jortin, D. D. Archdeacon of London, Rector of St. Dunstan's in the East, and Vicar of Kensington. Vols. V. VI. and VII. 8vo. 15s. bound. White.

The celebrity of this learned author's name and character will be deemed sufficient to supersede the necessity of any particular account of this continued publication.—To the sermons here given are added, a tract on the doctrine of a future state, as it may be collected from the Old Testament; and four charges to the clergy of the archdeaconry of London. Monthly Review.

1236. The Agreement of Reason with sacred Revelation. *Vide* articles, 1087, 1188.

There are some just and useful remarks in this pamphlet, but we cannot rank it among the most important of our religious or controversial publications. Monthly Review.

1237. Bromley, on our latter end. *Vide* article, 517.

This volume contains plain and practical reflections on the subject mentioned above, under a variety of views. There is nothing remarkably striking in the author's manner, but the topic is greatly so in itself, particularly under the different representations in which it is here set before us. Monthly Review.

1238. Gillies's Memoirs of the Life of the Rev. George Whitefield. *Vide* article, 1089.

Dr. Gillies, in these memoirs, pays all possible respect to the memory of Mr. Whitefield; whose character is here extolled, as the apostle of the present age. Monthly Review.

1239. A Letter to the Bishop of Rochester. *Vide* article, 987.

Severely rebuking his Lordship for having partially given the living of Stone to a stripling, just released from the discipline of a college, in prejudice to the better claims of men, who, though they have borne the heat and burden of the day, are yet starving on the scanty reward of their labours. Monthly Review.

1240. A Defence of the Subscription to the 39 Articles, as it is required in the University of Oxford, &c. *Vide* article, 989.

The author is a warm stickler for the test, and treats the late proposal for a removal of this stumbling-block, as an infidel assault; which, in our opinion, is putting a most uncharitable and unwarrantable construction on the laudable views of conscientious and public-spirited men. Monthly Review.

1241. Peckard's Visitation Sermon. *Vide* article, 890.

An excellent discourse in support of religious reformation. What Mr. Peckard hath advanced concerning the injury done to the gospel, by the introduction of false philosophy, is peculiarly worthy of notice. Monthly Review.

1242. Thoughts on the Dangers apprehended from Popery, &c. *Vide* article, 991.

The reasonings of this candid writer, though short, appear to be judicious and satisfactory.—The letter, signed Probus, gives a striking account of the hardships to which a young man may be exposed, who is educated for the ministry in the church of England, and is afterward deterred from entering into it, by scruples concerning the 39 articles. Monthly Review.

1243. Stennett's Account of the Dissenters Application to Parliament. *Vide* article, 1113.

We have here a very candid, clear and sensible account of the object and grounds of the late application of the dissenting ministers to parliament, together with a short narrative of their proceedings. Monthly Review.

1244. The Lives of Leland, Hearne, and Wood. *Vide* articles, 898, 1156.

Few persons have been more serviceable to the republic of letters than those industrious antiquaries, the memoirs of whose lives and studies are here given to the public. The first, encouraged by a monarch, extended his researches over all the kingdom, and at a most fortunate period was instrumental in preserving many valuable works, which had otherwise undoubtedly perished in the general devastation of the religious houses, then the chief repositories of our national records. The second spent a diligent and laborious life in collecting the scattered remains of former writers on those subjects, and in preserving them for the use of posterity, by a faithful publication. The last chiefly confined his labours to the place of his education, and with incredible industry has not only compiled an accurate history of the university of Oxford, but farther extended its reputation, by a minute detail of those members, whose writings have done honour to its discipline and methods of instruction.

Critical Review.

1245. Military Instructions for Officers detached in the Field ; containing a Corps of a Partisan. Illustrated with Plans of the Manœuvres for carrying on the Petite Guerre. By an Officer. 12mo. 5s. Cadell.

Many military treatises have been presented to the public, which in general bear so strong a resemblance to one another, that there seemed an ample field for one that might be serviceable to inferior officers, as the former productions have solely tended to instruct the general in the operations of an army, or to set forth the duties of the parade and garrison. We, therefore, think this performance will be serviceable to subaltern officers, who are desirous of being instructed in the duties of their different stations. For, from the authority of one of the most admired writers of the present age, (Marmontel) we may with justice declare it to be the best book that can be put into the hands of a young soldier, it being a collection of interesting facts, very well related. Critical Review.

This work contains a number of important observations on the military art, particularly on exercise, subordination, detachment, reconnoitring, the defence and attack of posts, surprizes, ambuscades, and retreats. It is for the most part taken from the French, but judiciously adapted, by the compiler, to the use of young officers in the English service.

1246. Philosophical Transactions. Vol. LXI. Vide article, 1201.

The Critical Review, upon this article, contains only a few extracts of some of the philosophical contents. Univ. Catalogue.

The papers in the present publication are distinguished either by the research they discover, or by their ingenuity ; but they relate to such a multitude of topics, that it would greatly exceed our bounds to enumerate them. Univ. Magazine.

1247. Calculations, deduced from first Principles, &c. for the use of the Societies instituted for the Benefit of Old Age. Vide article, 609. 1039.

The introduction contains a system of decimal arithmetic, compound interest, reversion, discount, &c. judiciously adapted to facilitate the investigations which occur in the body of the work ; to these are added various tables of the probability of life, deduced from different suppositions of the utmost extent of human existence, and calculated agreeable to the theory of those late eminent mathematicians De Moivre and Simpson. Our author has indeed deviated from the plan laid down by THOSE gentlemen, having placed the utmost extent of life, at, or about 95, whereas THEY confine that period to 86 years ; but this alteration, which only takes place in three of our author's tables, he assures us was made in compliance with what Mr. Smart and another gentleman had done before, &c. &c. &c. Critical Review.

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Notwithstanding there are some few inaccuracies in these calculations, the reader, who is desirous of being thoroughly acquainted with this subject, may find many new lights thrown upon it here.

Town & C. Mag.

The Town and Country Magazine being the property of Mr. Hamilton the printer, who is proprietor of the Critical Review, all the opinions of books in that magazine are from time to time copied from the Review.

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The author thanks himself highly obliged to the Critical Reviewer of this article, for the first part of these observations; but, lest "the reader may possibly be misled" by the latter part, it is necessary to declare that the truth is, Mr. De Moivre himself never formed any table of the probability of life, but owns, in his preface, it was necessary to his calculations to suppose the extent of life confined to a certain period of time; and therefore he has limited it by HYPOTHESIS *, to the age of 86, yet, at the same time, acknowledges that Dr. Halley (whose table he makes use of) leave 20 living aged 84 out of 1000 born. Mr. Simpson's table leaves 29 living aged 80 out of 1280 born; and the author of calculations, &c. hath NOT deviated in the least from either of them those unto ages, and afterward hath continued the decrements in the same proportion as they probably would; or, nearly, as they certainly must have done, had they carried on their tables to the end of life.—The calculations are made by but four tables of mortality, and they ALL continue life beyond the age of 92.—Likewise, the reader would have known who that other gentleman was, if the liberty of altering the author's words, when quoted, had not been taken.—Nevertheless the author is very thankful to this gentleman for supplying very justly the word not, although the reader could certainly have done it as readily as he might correct this, his, false grammar, "the want of which will too frequently, he fears, betrays themselves," and this, his, placing the parenthesis improperly" and one of them in in the year 1739 to (perhaps Margaret Pattens of St. Margaret Westminster) be aged 138," as also three of his first four running titles; all which errors the candid would ascribe to the press, but his calling the equitable and rational societies "two of the MOST CONSIDERABLE" may be imputed to something else—. Beside what is said in the introduction page 41, the author says expressly in his letter to the Provident Society, that the data which are chosen as a criterion to judge the societies by, are Mr. Simpson's table of the probability of life and $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. interest of money; and the principal part of the work is to prove what is the just value of 11. annuity in various circumstances, and that if the members of a society do not pay the full value, it is impossible for the fund to supply the annuity for a continuance; but these are overlooked by the

* The absurdity of which is shewn in the 3d article of the addenda to the calculations.

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critical reviewer, who hath introduced the impartial society as the sole criterion, and hath confined all other plans to that one, whereas plans may vary the admission fines and half yearly payments to any proportion, and yet all be equally just.—See the 3d article of the Impartial Annuitants in the addenda. 'Tis hoped there was no intention of conveying an idea of obscurity by inserting the examination of two societies without explanations, or any intimation that there are such, although the book abounds with them inasmuch that it has been hinted the author is too minute in that particular.—'Tis asserted by this gentleman that “the author declares himself rather unequal to the task he has undertaken,” also another, if not the same critic, in the Town and Country Magazine says, “the author of this work owns himself unequal to the task he has undertaken,” thus an apology, for grammatical errors and inelegance of language, is perversely construed to mean inability of calculating, contrary to the author's expressed hope that the work would be found pretty correct in figures, considering the multiplicity of them.

The Author.

1248. A new Introduction to the Study and Knowledge of the New Testament. By E. Harwood, D.D. Vol. II. 8vo. 6s. bound. Becket and Co.

Many obscurities and difficulties having arisen in the New Testament from certain idioms and peculiarities of style, from allusions to facts, customs, ceremonies, controversies, errors, and heresies, which are now forgotten, or but imperfectly known; the learned author of this work endeavours to elucidate the sacred writers in in these points. The plan which he has pursued for this purpose is judicious, and seems to have fully answered his expectation. When he formed this design, he sat down, he says, to an attentive perusal of the Greek and Roman classics, and carefully noted down the emphatical expressions, the remarkable idioms and phraseologies of frequent and infrequent occurrence in the New Testament, and the customs and usages which were either mentioned or alluded to in the sacred code. In the course of several years spent in these literary pursuits, he accumulated a very large collection of this kind, part of which was retailed in a former volume, part is now exhibited in this, and the remainder, or at least as much as may be thought necessary, will be communicated to the public, when the author shall have selected and methodized his materials. Vide article, 886.

Critical Review.

1249. Durell's Critical Remarks on the Books of Job, &c. Vide articles, 883, 1123.

The author of this work deserves the character of a learned and judicious critic. He appears to be well acquainted with the oriental languages, and to have studied the scriptures with a care and diligence suited to their importance. He proposes many emendations of the text, which seem to be reasonable and proper, or, at

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least, ingenious conjectures. He points out several mistakes in the English version, and illustrates many obscurities, arising from local customs and popular expressions, by passages in the Greek and Roman classics. His design, however, is not to appear in the light of a professed annotator, or paraphrast; for he seldom touches on those provinces, but where the reading proposed by him seems to require it. Critical Review.

This work cannot but be deemed a valuable acquisition to the lovers of sacred literature. The author has displayed in it that critical sagacity, and oriental knowledge, which appeared about nine years ago in his *Parallel Prophecies of Jacob and Moses* examined, and with, at least, equal learning. *Gent. Magzaine.*

1250. The Beauties of English Prose. *Vide* articles, 746, 1154.

The articles which compose this large collection, are, in general, the most ingenious and approved passages of the English prose-writers of greatest eminence. In selecting them, we must acknowledge, that the compiler has very happily studied to promote the instruction and entertainment of his readers; and it is against the admission of only a very few of a trivial nature, that any objection can be made. The work is divided alphabetically into twenty-three books; and the subjects are arranged in the same manner in chapters and sections. The literary fame of the authors, from whom these volumes are extracted, is so respectable, that probably, from that circumstance alone, the public will be inclined to form a presumptive opinion of the intrinsic merit of the work; and we shall only observe, that, in this case, their judgment will not be misguided by such a predilection. For the great variety of subjects, both of an instructive and entertaining kind, here amassed together, with the elegant style in which they are generally written, must render this collection a select miscellany in the libraries of those who have a taste for polite learning. Critical Review.

1251. Hanway's Observations on the Causes of the Dissoluteness which reigns among the lower Classes of the People, &c. *Vide* articles, 415, 787.

The writer of these letters seems to be a real well-wisher to his country, and to have bestowed no small share of attention in consulting its interests. The principal purpose of them is the appropriation of Bridewell to the sole purpose of punishing or reforming young delinquents. But, previous to his arguments on this head, Mr. Hanway considers the state of the lower class of youth in this country, which, by his connection with the Marine Society, he had an opportunity of becoming acquainted with, and the account he gives of the most indigent part of the metropolis is such, as must induce every sensible man to wish for some method of rendering them better members of the community. Critical Review.

1252. Cauty's *Natura, Philosophia, and Ars in Concordia*.
Vide article, 426, 932.

What were Mr. Cauty's reasons for putting a Latin as well as an English title, we are at a loss to guess, as well as for his frequently making Latin quotations in his book. He surely could not do it, in order to shew his learning; since he seldom writes ten lines of English without grossly infringing the laws of grammar. His Latin too is almost unintelligible. We recommend to this author, that if he undertakes to write again, he will not write of himself in the plural number, as one cannot read with propriety, We W. Cauty, Cabinet-maker.

Critical Review.

1253. *Reflections on the general treatment of Fevers.* *Vide article, 1118.*

This pamphlet is a judicious performance, and evinces the author to be a person of experience and observation, as well as of extensive acquaintance with medical writings. He begins his reflections with a short account of fevers in general, and their various species; after which, he treats briefly of all their symptoms, and then proceeds to the general remedies. He gives his opinion in favour of the total inefficacy of castor, saffron, valerian, and contrayerva, notwithstanding the high esteem in which their febrifuge virtues have formerly been held by physicians. To these reflections, which we recommend to the perusal of the faculty, the author has added a few cases of fevers, relative to the success of his method of cure.

Critical Review.

These reflections appear to be thrown together in a methodical, judicious manner, by a practitioner of candor and experience. Many of his remarks are deserving the attention of his medical brethren, particularly those upon the inefficacy of some fashionable medicines, as valerian, contrayerva, &c. with his strictures on the effects of emetics, and his method of exhibiting tartar emetic in fevers.

Ledger.

1254. Stennet's *Remarks on Sprinkling in Baptism.* *Vide articles, 575, 922.*

Dr. Stennet has defended the mode of administering baptism by immersion, in an able manner; but admitting that he has incontrovertibly proved it to have been the true apostolical practice, it is of no manner of consequence.

Critical Review.

1255. *Toplady's Jesus seen of Angels.* *Vide article, 63.*

The author, in two of these discourses, expatiates on some of the principal circumstances attending the life and sufferings of Christ; in which he says, the co-equal son was seen, heard, admired and lamented by the angels. In the third sermon, he shews, how God has been mindful of us and visited us. In these three sermons we have some warm expressions of zeal for the Calvinistic system, some apt and edifying stories in the manner of the late Mr.

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Whitefield and some notable remarks and oratorical flourishes. — It is well known, that David lived a little above ten centuries before Christ; but Mr. Toplady assures us, that he testified of the Saviour many hundred centuries before the Saviour appeared.

Critical Review.

1256. *The Sure Foundation.* A Sermon occasioned by the Death of the Rev. Mr. Benjamin Messer, preached in Grafton Street, June 21, 1772. By John Macgowan. 8vo. 1s. Keith. *Wretched to the last degree.* Critical Review.

1257. *An Appendix to a Sermon on Subscription.* *Vide article, 917.*
A defence of the sermon on subscription; of some consequence to the author, but of no importance to the public. Critical Review.

1258. *Walker's Devil no fallen Angel.* *Vide article, 1102.*
The incoherent effusions of a crazy brain. Critical Review.
This man says he is a prophet, and that he hath had interviews with the Divinity. This pamphlet, he says, contains a specimen of the revelations that have been made to him; but they are so deeply covered by madness and nonsense, that we cannot understand one of them. This unhappy man, we find, wanders from place to place; and it is pity that some of his friends do not confine him to recover his senses. Lond. Magazine.

1259. *Jenner's Town Eclogues.* *Vide articles, 749, 1026.*
The design of these pastorals is to satirize some of the present modish follies; but we cannot say this is performed in a masterly manner. None of the sentiments are remarkably striking, and much of the censure is mere common-place. The versification is in some places tolerably harmonious, but in others, flat and incorrect. Critical Review.

1260. *The Execution of Sir Charles Bawdin.* *Vide articles, 735, 1138.*

This little poem is published as a production of the 15th century. We do not find in it, however, any characteristic of the manner of those venerable ancient song-inditers, who still maintain some reputation, except a simplicity of diction, and this sometimes sinks too low for the dignity of verse. There is no change of fortune described which might affect the reader, the poem beginning with the king's determination that Sir Charles, who had been in arms against him, should be beheaded, and concluding with the execution. The resolution with which the criminal met his fate, and the scene when he parted from his wife, are the most interesting parts of the poem; but the sentiments are cloathed in too vulgar a dress, to make us either admire his fortitude, or drop a tear for his misfortune. Critical Review.

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1261. An Epistle to Gorges Edmund Howard, Esq. &c. *Vide* article, 1139.

A satire on Mr. Faulkner, the printer at Dublin. It seems chiefly intended to expose to ridicule an air of self-importance, and an affected solemnity, supposed to be conspicuous in the life and conversation of the printer of the Dublin journal. The irony is the more laughable, as being represented to proceed from Mr. Faulkner himself.

Critical Review.

1262. The Ænigmatical Repository. *Vide* article, 265.

Containing nothing that has either an indecent or an immoral tendency.

Critical Review.

1263. Perrin's Fables Amusantes. *Vide* article, 1164.

These fables are very proper for answering the purpose intended by them.

Critical Review.

1264. A Sketch of the secret History of Europe. *Vide* article, 1206.

We do not here meet with any anecdotes that have not formerly been published in the news-papers, and of which the authenticity is questionable. This sketch, however is well written, and the author appears to have a just idea of the political views and interests of the several powers of Europe; but we cannot join with him in opinion, that the present state of Great-Britain is so critical as he endeavours to represent it.

Critical Review.

1265. The present State of the Game Law, and the Question of Property considered. 8vo. 1s. Cadell.

This pamphlet relates entirely to the state of the game law in Scotland; and the purpose of the author is to invalidate the scheme which has been proposed, of restricting within the respective grounds of each proprietor, the privilege of which is now assumed by the landed gentlemen of that country, of killing game all over the kingdom. He alledges, that such an act would not only be a violation of the ancient privileges enjoyed by the barons of North Britain, but that it would also prove destructive to the game, by introducing the arts of snaring.

Critical Review.

1266. Considerations on the Game Law. In answer to a Pamphlet, entitled, *The present State of the Game Law, &c.* 8vo. 1s. Cadell.

The author of these considerations appears to us to have entirely refuted the arguments advanced in the preceding pamphlet, respecting the consequences which would result, were the above-mentioned scheme to be carried into execution.

Critical Review.

1267. Taplin's Observations on the present State of the Game, &c. *Vide* article, 1096.

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1268. A Proposal for establishing Life Annuities in Parishes, &c. *Vide* article, 763.

The Critical Review, under these articles, gives no other than a brief account of each work, which we have done before.

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1269. The new Topic of Conversation. *Vide* article, 1160.

The revival of a pamphlet which was published in the year 1766, and certainly merits attention. Critical Review.

These dialogues contain some pertinent remarks upon commercial matters, and are not unworthy consideration at this period, though they were written above five years ago, in consequence of some failures which happened at that time. Ledger.

1270. Brown's Connections in Verse. *Vide* articles, 564, 1132.

If Sir William Browne is not a better physician than a writer, we heartily commiserate the fate of those for whom it formerly was his fortune to prescribe.

Heu ! quantas strages, & quanta funera fudit !

Critical Review.

1271. Longeran's Fencer's Guide. *Vide* article, 1152.

The title-page of this treatise is not more copious than the directions which Mr. Lonnegan delivers in the body of the work. But after all, example and practice is preferable to precept.

Critical Review.

1272. Bayly's English Grammar. *Vide* articles, 757, 1161.

Though this author entertains a few particularities, his precepts and observations are generally judicious ; but his grammar appears to be less adapted to the capacity of youth, than of those who are more advanced in years.

Critical Review,

1273. Some Particulars of the Life of Britain. By Rouquet. *Vide* article, 1157.

A canting methodistical account of the penitence discovered by Jonathan Britain, when under sentence of death ; in which the puritanical strain of the Rev. Mr. Rouquet is equally conspicuous with the alledged conversion of the convict. Critical Review.

1274. Patullo's Essay on the Improvements of Bengal. *Vide* articles, 1014, 1146.

The author of this pamphlet has here treated a subject of the last importance to this country. The desolated condition of Bengal and its inhabitants struck his attention, and appeared to him important enough to deserve better regulations. He has accordingly ascertained the extent, and examined the rents of the lands in that great province, and described plans for their improvement. He has also laid down proposals for improving their manufactories,
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establishing an advantageous currency, erecting public magazines, and regulating many other national objects. But his system appears more theoretic than practical. Mr. P. seems to have written upon this subject, without any actual acquaintance with it. He, having never been in Bengal, has collected that information, which is the ground of his system, from the report or writings of those who have been there. However, his pamphlet abounds with sensible remarks on the cultivation and improvement of lands and revenues, which uncontrovertibly prove him to have collected them from experience. Lond. Magazine.

1275. Northcote's History of Anatomy. *Vide* articles, 1086, 1180.

This book contains an historical view of anatomists, in which their respective discoveries and merits are cursorily mentioned. There is more labour than genius displayed in this composition; and the author has greatly impeached his own judgment, by making quotations from authors whom he had previously condemned. The language is beneath all criticism. Lond. Magazine.

This treatise is circumstantial, without being diffuse. It was the intention of the author to express himself rather with brevity than elegance; and he seems to have been more solicitous to inform his readers than amuse them. His work may prove of single utility to the student, who is entering upon a course of anatomy.

1276. Falck, on the Venereal Disease. *Vide* articles, 1111, 1181.

Among the many writers of the first reputation, that have distinguished themselves on this subject, Mr. Falck seems to possess no inferior station. In his work he has assumed the double province of physician and moralist; and while he investigates the disease from its root through the several ramifications, he never suffers those important reflections to escape, which naturally arise from the subject. Many excellent and original observations are interspersed through the work; but it abounds with orthographical errors, a fault with which we believe the author is not entirely chargeable. Lond. Magazine.

1277. A Letter to the Overseers of the Portuguese Jewish Synagogue, in Bevis Marks, London, on their extraordinary Conduct in the Dispute between Mr. Ximenes and Mr. Joshua Lara; with a full Explanation of the Affair, and an Enquiry into the Propriety of their passing Sentence of Excommunication against Mr. and Mrs. Lara, Mr. and Mrs. Fur-tado, and Mr. Cohen. 8vo. 1s. Allen.

A tolerably well-written accusation against the overseers of the synagogue; (for excommunicating Mr. and Mrs. Lara, at the instigation of her father, Mr. Ximenes, for marrying without his consent; and the other parties, for advising them to the step, and

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assisting them in going off, when, in fact, they were no ways necessary to it. The performance of a Jew. This Mr. Lara and his wife are the persons who were seized, at the desire of Mr. Ximenes, in June last, at Paris, and thrown into prison, by the Lieutenant of the Police, and who were soon after released thro' the means of Lord Rochford. All the particulars are related here, as they happened. The author is very virulent, in his postscript to Mr. Ximenes.

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From this account of the matter, the resentment of the father seems to be cruel and extravagant, and the proceedings of the overseers of the Synagogue unreasonable and oppressive.

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The writer of this letter expostulates with Mr. Ximenes and the overseers, in the most severe and sarcastic terms; representing their conduct as void, not only of humanity and justice, but of common sense and prudence. The letter is well written, and not unenterprising. Mr. X. makes a most wretched figure in it. The gentlemen of the Synagogue, too, are brought in, to fill up a very contemptible group, as they are drawn; but whether the pencil hath been altogether guided by the strict hand of justice, is rather to be suspected, as the spirited painter appears to be either a party concerned, or some warm friend, who hath espoused the cause of persons whom he represents as having been most injuriously treated.

Monthly Review.

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3278. *The Egg, or the Memoirs of Gregory Giddy, Esq; with the Lucubrations of Messrs. Francis Flimsy, Frederic Florid, and Ben Bombast. To which are added, the private Opinions of Patty Pout, Lucy Luscious, and Priscilla Positive. Also the Memoirs of a Right Honourable Puppy, or the Bon Ton displayed: together with Anecdotes of a Right Honourable Scoundrel. Conceived by a celebrated Hen, and laid before the Public by a famous Cockfeeder. 12mo. 232 pages. 3s. bound. Smith.*

From this title, one would be led to think the pages contained either something whimsical, witty, or satirical. On the contrary, we find nothing but paltry stuff, nonsense, and absurdity. Every chapter, of which there are a number, gives us almost a new story, some part of it in prose, and some in wretched verse. The author has endeavoured to be witty, and in that has egregiously exposed himself. He has aimed at drawing some living characters, but has failed in every essential respect; viz. truth, likeness, and colouring. Throughout the whole, there is no allusion to the title,
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except the frontispiece, which is a fashionable youth, bursting from an egg-shell, and called the birth of a Macaroni.

1279. Letters from an English Gentleman, on his Travels through Denmark, to his Friend in London, concerning the late Transactions in Copenhagen; serving as a Confutation to the many false Accounts published in the English Newspapers; but more particularly in the Pamphlet, called, *The Political System of the Regency of Denmark fully explained.* 8vo. 38 pages. 1s. No publisher's name, though published by Wheble.

This tract consists of three letters, dated May and June last, decently written. It charges the young queen of Denmark with all the crimes alledged against her; represents Struensee, as one of the most notorious villains the world ever knew, and says that those, who by means of the examinations that were taken, are become thoroughly acquainted with the secrets, do insist upon it to be evident, that as they had previously committed the most atrocious actions against the king, so they have since entertained schemes which posterity will shudder at being acquainted with. It speaks in the highest terms of the queen dowager and her son, and declares that notwithstanding the criminal conduct of the young queen, they behaved to her with the greatest tenderness, complaisance, and deference. The truth of all this we do not pretend to aver. The pamphlet, being anonymous, does not carry the face of authenticity; except that the author signs himself Th— M—, and says, he himself heard both Gunning and Sir Robert Keith, the two English ministers to the court of Denmark, express their wonder at the queen dowager's respectful behaviour to the young queen, after what happened. The last letter is written to refute article, 966, &c. declaring the whole account it gives to be impudently false; but, in order to understand it, the reader must have the tract, referred to, before him.

1280. A Practical Treatise on Diseases of the Breasts of Women. Containing directions for the proper management of breasts during lying-in; with observations on the present defective methods of practice:—Likewise, observations on the simple inflammation of the breasts.—On the abscess, induration of these parts, and on diseased nipples; with the method of preventing the cancer.—Of the ichirrus or cancerous induration, arising from other causes, with mild and successful methods of cure.—The whole interspersed with general observations on the method of treating women during child-bed; with a plate of a new-invented machine, for more commodiously drawing the milk from the breasts, and forming a nipple. By W. Rowley, Surgeon and Man-midwife, and Surgeon to St. John's Hospital. 8vo. 55 pages, including 24 of introduction, &c. 1s. 6d. Newbery.

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Containing remarks on the diseases women are liable to after lying-in, from the stagnation of milk in the breasts. The author endeavours to shew that the common methods of treating this disease are improper, and often the causes of scirrhusities and cancers in the subsequent periods of life. His observations seem founded upon experience, but the conciseness of the work renders it far from being so useful, as it might, had the author enlarged upon the subject. To this tract is added a plan of St. John's hospital, in Holborn, for diseases of the eyes, legs, breasts, and other ca'e of surgery, &c. under the direction of Mr. Rowley, supported by voluntary contributions.

1281. The Explanation, or agreeable Surprize. By a young Lady. 2 vols. 12mo. 353 pages in the two. 6s. bound. Noble.

There not being so many characters introduced into this piece, as is generally met with in novels, it is not so full of what is called business: the characters however, are those of genteel life, two only excepted, which are prettily brought in. The incidents are agreeably interesting, the sentiments natural, and such as cannot fail of meeting the approbation of every virtuous female reader; the language good, the plot pleasingly discovered, and the conclusion, in every respect, happy: In one part of these volumes, young ladies are taught not to put too great confidence in married men; friendships of this kind having often ended in the ruin of the unsuspecting female.

1282. The Memoirs of an American. With a Description of the Kingdom of Prussia, and the Island of St. Domingo. Translated from the French. 2 vols. 12mo. 6s. bound. Noble.

This is no other than some scanty particulars of the life of a man, who, by marrying against his parent's consent, found himself obliged to leave his native place, and was reduced to the greatest distress; but on his return to St. Domingo, became reconciled to his friends, and rose above his misfortunes. We are told (and there is nothing in the narrative apparently to contradict it) that the relation is invariably true. Be this as it may, it gives us little else than simple uninteresting details, except, that, as the writer passed some time in Prussia, he lays down a brief account of the place, with some few observations on the manners and customs of the inhabitants. On his return to St. Domingo, he does the same, that is, gives us a short description of the Island, &c. with such things as concern its government, and the new regulations lately established for the more equal distribution of justice among the inhabitants; and concludes with some cursory remarks on the Eskimaux and Patagonians. So far, indeed, the work is instructive and entertaining; but we could have wished the author had, upon the whole, been less concise in his descriptions, and more profound in his observations. With respect to the translation, it is passable.

1283. A candid Enquiry into the Merits of Dr. Cadogan's Dissertation on the Gout. In which, the cause of the disease—the method of cure—the consistency of opinion—the energy of argument—the conclusiveness of reasoning—the aptness of illustration—the perspicuity of style—the ingenuity of the undertaking—the conspicuousness of novelty—and the certainty of errors, which are contained in that popular performance, are fully considered, and fairly exposed to view. With an appendix, in which is contained a certain cure for the gout, &c. 8vo. 218 pages, including 7 of introduction and 10 of appendix. 3s. sewed. Hooper.

We have had many replies to Dr. Cadogan, but none that so effectually silences him as this. He is represented here in the most ridiculous light imaginable; and his abilities are arraigned both as a scholar, a man of understanding, and a physician. The sensible author of this ingenious performance, who is apparently well acquainted with the principles of physic, does not treat him seriously, but in the most laughable manner, the pages being penned throughout, in a vein of satirical humour, interspersed with some of the highest strokes of wit, we remember to have seen a long time. Dr. Cadogan, in writing his dissertation, must surely have supposed, that there was no other medical man in the world than himself, or he would not have advanced things, that, if he is a man of any reading or understanding, he must have known were not true. His doctrines, however, have been long exploded; and no person, who would be thought a man of sense, can, after this candid enquiry once comes to be universally read, possibly espouse them. In short, if this volume be looked over with attention, it will afford a great fund of entertainment to such as know any thing of the Dissertation it refers to. It contains also some strokes on administration. His specifick for the gout, is no other than an ironical recommendation of castration.

1284. Some Remarks on Mr. Hill's Review of all the Doctrines taught by Mr. John Wesley. 12mo. 54 pages. 4d. Pine, Bristol.

A reply of Mr. John Wesley, to the tract referred to, wherein he was charged, among other things, with maintaining contradictions, with respect to doctrine; which he does not attempt to refute, but only apologises for, in this manner; "I fall my sentiments, says he, were compared together, from the year 1725 to 1768," (which is in fact what Mr. Hill has done) "there would be truth in the charge; for during the latter part of this period, I have relinquished several of my former sentiments. During the last 30 years, I may have varied in some of my sentiments or expressions, without observing it. I will not undertake to defend all the expressions, which I have occasionally used, during this time, but must desire men of candor to make allowance for them; as, should there, among these inaccurate expressions, be some

“some seeming contradictions, it will be no wonder, when it is considered that I was answering so many different objectors, frequently attacking me at once.” Such as wish to know Mr. Wesley’s opinion, concerning particular points of faith, will here find it; he having very explicitly given the public his plain sentiments on the doctrine he teaches. *Vide* articles, 760, 1166.

1285. Daily Devotions for the Closet. To which are added prayers on particular occasions. By the late Samuel Merivale. 12mo. 129 pages. 2s. Buckland.

The beauty of a prayer consists in being short and full, but these are long and tedious; however, they are expressive of the piety of their author. The closet devotions are 16 prayers, two for each day in the week; the rest, of which there are eight, are occasional.

1286. An Enquiry into the Principles of Toleration, the degree in which they are admitted by our laws, and the reasonableness of the late application made by the Dissenters to Parliament, for an enlargement of their religious liberties. 8vo. 118 pages, with 6 of preface. 2s. sewed. Buckland.

This author appears to be a friend to truth and religious liberty; a hearty well-wisher to the success of all attempts to promote it, by example, argument, and persuasion; but an enemy to all measures of violence and persecution. He commends the Dissenters for the steps they have taken; and though they have met with a repulse, wishes them to proceed in a second application. The tract is sensibly and well-written.

1287. The Minutes of the select Committee appointed by the Honourable House of Commons, to enquire into the nature, state and condition of the East-India Company, and of the British affairs in the East-Indies; with the particulars of their examination into the merits of the petition of Gregore Cojamaul, late of Bengal. From the authentic copy, carefully compared with the original in the House of Commons. 4to. 78 pages. 2s. sewed. Bladon.

This tract is printed in two columns, and contains neither more nor less than a recapitulation of what has appeared in all the news-papers.

1288. The genuine Minutes of the select Committee appointed by the House of Commons assembled at Westminster, in the fifth session of the thirteenth Parliament of Great-Britain, to enquire into East-India affairs. Containing the most authentic, historical account of the various revolutions and other extraordinary events that have happened in India, from the
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commencement of Lord Clive's government, to the latest advices received by the Honourable English East-India Company. 8vo. 208 pages. 3s. 6d. Evans.

An exact copy of art. 1287, handsomely printed, by the publisher of the London Packet, the news-paper in which the minutes first appeared.

1289. The Humours of the Old Bailey; or Justice shaking her Sides: being a Collection of all the merry and diverting Trials for above these thirty years; particularly for rapes and private stealing: such as have made even the Judges on the bench forget their wonted gravity; and caused scenes of mirth, very unusual in courts of justice. 8vo. 48 pages. 1s. Wicks.

One of the most paltry publications we can conceive; containing some abstracts only, of a few ludicrous trials, which even the most abandoned of the age, could not find pleasure in the reading of.

1290. Comus: a Masque. Altered from Milton; as performed at the Theatre-Royal in Covent-Garden. The Music composed by Dr. Arne. 8vo. 30 pages. 1s. Lowndes.

Little else than an abridgment of Milton's piece; except that the divine arguments on Temperance and Chastity, together with many descriptive passages, are either expunged or contracted; the festivity of the character of Comus heightened by his assisting in the vocal parts, as well as in the dialogue, and, that theatrical propriety is no longer violated in the character of the Lady, who now invokes the Echo in her own person, without absurdly leaving the scene vacant, as formerly, while another voice warbled out the song which the Lady was to be supposed to execute. The music of the song of Mortals, learn your lives to measure, &c. is entirely new, and composed by Dr. Arne.

1291. A complete and authentic List of all the Persons who polled on the present Election for Mayor of the City of London. Carefully examined by the original Poll-Books. 8vo. 20 pages, in two columns. 6d. Roson.

Authentic.

1292. The Works of Jacob Behmen, the Teutonic Theosopher. Vol. III. Containing, 1. The *Mysterium Magnum*: or an explanation of the first book of Moses, called Genesis; in three parts. 2. Four Tables of Divine Revelation. With Figures, illustrating his Principles, left by the Rev. William Law, M. A. 4to. 569 pages, including prefaces, contents, &c. 1l. 5s. Robinson.

A continuation of a new impression of an old and curious work, the more valuable for its piety. Written in chapter and verse; but a work that requires a greater abundance of notes and illustrations, to make it well

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well understood, than there are. The remaining part of this great Author's writings are proposed to be comprised in two other volumes, and to be published as soon as they are ready for it. Prefixed are three elegantly engraved copper-plates, which, by unfolding, give great variety of figures or faces. The first table exhibits 14 different appearances; the second, five; and the third, eight.

1293. Directions to prevent the Contagion of the Jail-distemper, commonly called the Jail-fever. 8vo. 46 pages. 1s. Robson.

These directions relate, 1st, to prisons and prisoners; 2dly, to courts of justice, and their attendants. The pages are very hastily put together, and discover in the author, neither abilities nor experience. He recommends cleanliness, room, a free circulation of fresh air, and all places liable to infection to be washed constantly with hot vinegar; also occasionally to be fumigated with aromatic herbs; and after a thousand other fantastical precautions, advises such persons as attend a court of justice through necessity or curiosity, to purge themselves a day or two before, line themselves well with claret, old hock, or generous punch, and not fail to take with them, to chew, a plenty of preserved ginger, garlic, orange peel, and cardamoms.

1294. Poetical Blossoms; or a Collection of Poems, Odes, and Translations. By a young Gentleman of the Royal Grammar School, Guildford. 4to. 43 pages, with 10 of dedication, preface, and subscribers names. 2s. 6d. Printed at Guildford, for the Author. Hawes.

Well blown blossoms, that bid fair for fine and early fruit; shot forth from the stem of Master Richard Valpy.

1295. *Fundamenta Entomologiæ*; or an Introduction to the Knowledge of Insects. Being a translation of the *Fundamenta Entomologiæ* of Linnæus, farther illustrated with copper-plates and additions. By W. Curtis, Apothecary. 8vo. 98 pages, and two elegant copper-plates. 2s. 6d. Printed for the author. White.

We are told in an advertisement prefixed, that the piece, of which this is a translation, was originally written by Andrew John Bladh, a pupil of the celebrated Linnæus, and afterwards published in the 7th volume of Linnæus's Amœnitas Academicæ. It may therefore be considered, if not entirely as Linnæus's own, yet, as having the sanction of his approbation. After laying before us the uses of Insects in the economy of nature, he proceeds to give us an anatomical account of the different parts of them, but first enumerating the many authors that have written upon the subject. This done, he goes on to consider them systematically, dividing and subdividing them into their various classes, and concludes the whole with a glossary. The translation is executed with care and fidelity. The plates are an addition of Mr. Curtis's,

1296. Considerations on the Means of preventing the communication of Pestilential Contagion, and of eradicating it in infected places. By William Brownrigg, M.D. F.R.S. 4to. 40 pages, 1s. 6d. L. Davis.

This writer enquires first into the nature and laws of quarantine, the establishment of bills of health, and the ancient practice of shutting up, and then proceeds to make provision for the necessities of those who are shut up, by taking into consideration their subsistence, the cure of the diseased, the preservation of the healthy from infection while confined, and eradicating of the contagion: in the course of which he makes some judicious observations, and draws some very sensible conclusions, worthy the attention of the legislature.

1297. An Essay upon Woman, a Poem, 4to. 32 pages. 2s. 6d. Baldwin.

A high panygyric on the sex; an heroic poem, written by a married clergyman. (S. Johnson, A.B.) Pleasing and poetic.

1298. Benevolence and Gratitude, a Poem. By George Cockings, 8vo. 40 pages, 2s. Printed for the Author.

There is nothing to be said in favour of the poetry of this piece. The author expresses indeed a grateful heart, in acknowledging the many favours he has received from a number of benefactors, but, like a true man of the world, seems determined to profit by every thing he does, that is, he will not even bestow his thanks without reward. In the course of his work he largely extols the benevolence of this country, in pointing out the various charitable institutions it has given birth to and supported.

1299. A Letter to Sir George Colebrooke, Bart. on the Subject of Supervision and Dividend. By an old Proprietor, and former Servant of the East-India-Company, 8vo. 59 pages. 1s. 6d. Kearsly.

*The author of this pamphlet considers Sir George, as the great mover of the East-India machine, and as such charges, him with all the miseries his fellow creatures, connected with that company have suffered, and with having plundered the orphan and the needy; and advances this disagreeable truth on his own knowledge. He very sensibly, tho' severely censures his directional conduct, with respect to his attempt in lowering the dividends, and sending out supervisors, enters into the arguments that have been used on both sides the question, and with great spirit, tho' unjustifiable warmth, tells him "tho' his bosom has had callosity
"to withstand the eloquence of wretchedness and distress, it
"may not be proof against some one oppressed hand, armed with
"wrongs, with vengeance and despair."*

- 1300 The Sin of Sodom, reproved by St. John Chrysostom, Patriarch of Constantinople: being two Sermons in his Commentary upon St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, faithfully translated into English, from the original Greek. To which is prefixed, a brief Account of the Life of that Saint. By Edward Lewis, M.A. Rector of Waterstock and Emington, in Oxfordshire, 8vo. The life contains 15 pages, the sermons 39, 1s. Dilly.

If it was not for the originality and antiquity of these sermons they would be very little admired; modern preaching being so widely different from that used in the early ages of Christianity. They are however plain, well-intended discourses, or rather they are comments on the text, the verses being distinctly treated of, one after the other. The first sermon has little or no relation to the Sin of Sodom, being confined to the 18th and the 7 following verses of the first chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. The other is more immediately upon the subject, the text being the 26th and 27th verses of the same chapter. The translator tells us, that if the world seems willing to receive it, he will in a little time present us with Chrysostom's whole commentary in English on this divine epistle, contained in 32 sermons, equal to ninety modern ones. As great as we respect this father of the church, we are of opinion, he will be more respected in his venerable robes, than tricked out in any fashionable dress; that is, he will be read with greater pleasure in the Greek, than in the English,

1301. A Treatise on English Shooting; under the following heads:—Of the knowledge of a good fowling-piece.—The ordering and managing the fowling-piece.—The appendages of the fowling-piece.—The choice of powder, shot and flints.—Of patridge-shooting, with the choice and ordering of pointers.—Of phaesant shooting, with the ordering of spaniels.—Of woodcock shooting.—Of snipe shooting.—Of water and fen-fowl shooting; and the use of proper dogs.—Of upland winter shooting.—With necessary observations for the young Sportsman, when out and on returning home. By George Edie, Gent. 8vo. 21 pages, 1s. Cooke.

The remarks under the various heads here specified, are concise, but such as will be found of singular use to a young sportsman; the author appearing to be an expert practitioner. Indeed practice is the only thing to make a shooter, but practice without some necessary advice would be insufficient.

E R R A T A.

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1302. Medical Transactions. Vol. II. *Vide* articles, 388, 469.

The Monthly Review on this article gives only a short account of the contents. Univ. Catalogue.

1303. Milne's Institutes of Botany. Part II. *Vide* article, 876.

In the first part of this work, Dr. Milne had taken notice of the two universal methods of arrangement, one acknowledging the fruit, the other the flower, for their basis. The writers upon the first method he dismissed, after a minute examination with a general censure. The second method, which is founded in the flower, he considers as attended with far superior convenience and advantages. He enters into the comparative merits of Rivinus, Tournefort, Pontedera, &c. and gives his opinion in favour of Rivinus. He then proceeds to the sexual system, and in support of this hypothesis, offers a variety of proofs, and concludes with illustrating the Linnean method of arrangement by a familiar example, leaving the reader to judge from the ease or difficulty of his reference, whether facility or the contrary be its distinguishing characteristic. To this he has added a synopsis, exhibiting the essential or striking characters which serve to discriminate genera of the same class and order; also the secondary characters of each genus, or those derived from the port, habit, or general appearance of the plants which compose it. Monthly Review.

1304. Memoirs of the Year 2500. *Vide* articles, 881, 945.

The author conceives that in the year 2500, the golden age will be realized. No oppressions will then take place; perfection will have infused itself into laws, customs and usages; every art and science will be known and unfolded; eloquence will not plead the cause of injustice; the arts will not be perverted to flatter the senses; follies will be vanished; and the passions will submit to the pure lights of reason. The wonders of this venerable year were revealed to him in a dream; and it is this dream, which he lays before his readers. Though we cannot but censure this writer as destitute of penetration, and as unacquainted with mankind and with history, we acknowledge, with pleasure, that his imagination is vigorous and lively; that he discovers a warm spirit of liberty, and that his heart appears susceptible of the finest feelings. The translator of this work, has not, in our opinion, done entire justice to it. He seldom rises to the spirit of his original; he has not sufficiently consulted the idioms of his own language; and he has too frequently

ventured to adopt some particulars, and we think awkward modes of expression. Monthly Review.

1305. *The Oeconomy of Beauty.* Vide article, 979.

These fables, like those of the ingenious Edward Moore, are peculiarly devoted to the entertainment and service of the fair. They are inferior to Moore's compositions, with respect to the ease and elegance of the poetry; but the subjects are not less judiciously chosen, nor is the morality inculcated in them of less importance. There is, notwithstanding, an air of pedantry, which runs through most of them, and which may possibly render the perusal of them less agreeable to the generality of his female readers, than those of Moore, Gay, and some other modern writers, distinguished for their excellence in this branch of literature. With respect to the author's notes, we apprehend, that his poems would have proved more acceptable, had they stood without them. Monthly Review.

1306. *Pennington, on Pluralities.* Vide article, 1002.

Those who peruse this work, will find a great number of pertinent reflections on the subject, accompanied with many strokes of pleasantry and sarcasm. Monthly Review.

1307. *Mordecai's Apology for turning Christian.* Vide articles, 126, 327.

Whoever is a sincere believer in Christianity, and takes his notions from the New-Testament, not from confessions of faith, articles of religion, or other human compositions, will read this very acute, learned, and judicious letter, with peculiar pleasure. The author, in the character of a Jew, considers with equal accuracy and candour, who the person is, whom the Christians call by the name of Christ, and lays before his readers the chief of those many hypotheses, which have been invented by ingenious men, in order to account for the person, actions and character of Christ. Our author has promised us a sequel, and we have nothing further to add but our sincere wishes, that he would soon favour the public with the remainder, as it cannot fail of being useful and instructive. Monthly Review.

1308. *Reflections on the Fate of a Petition, for relief in Subscription.* Vide article, 1103.

This work is generally allowed to be an excellent one, and highly deserving of the public notice. The author begins with the difficulties of the petition in the House of Commons, acquaints us with the result of the debates, and then proceeds to examine the conduct of the bishops, the reason of their opposition to the petitioning clergy, and the manner in which that opposition has been carried on; and here he takes the opportunity of making some shrewd remarks on the alliance

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alliance between the governors of the church and those of the state. Various other particulars are treated in a masterly and entertaining manner.

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These reflections are diffusive and immethodical, but shrewd and satirical.

Critical Review.

1309. Priestly, on Vision, &c. *Vide* articles, 369, 549, 1049.

The same essential service which this spirited and ingenious writer has already performed, so much to the satisfaction of the public, for the history and present state of electricity, he has here rendered to vision, &c. As in the history of electricity, so likewise in this, he divides his philosophical narrative into periods of time, and these into sections; subdividing these last occasionally into chapters, whenever the number and variety of articles, relating to the different branches of his subject, render such a subdivision either necessary or convenient. The composition is of a mixed kind, being partly historical, and in part systematical. His principal design in this work, is to explain and give the history of philosophical discoveries in optics; avoiding the discussion of such as are properly mathematical: except in those cases, where mathematical and philosophical discoveries are so connected, that they cannot be separated, without violence. Useful references are given at the bottom of each page, by means of which the inquisitive reader may be enabled to consult the original authors at large, whose observations are here condensed and abridged. The management of the great variety of matter, contained in this volume, appears to us to be judicious; at the same time the author does not compose with the phlegm of a servile compiler, but con amore, and with the zeal of a person who warmly interests himself in his subject, and who omits no opportunity of furthering, by new and additional observations, the progress of the science, of which he professes himself to be only the Historian.

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1310. The Nautical Almanac and Astronomical Ephemeris. For the Year 1774. Published by Order of the Commissioners of Longitude. 8vo. 3s. 6d. sewed. Nourse.

To this Ephemeris, are added 1220 longitudes and latitudes of the Moon, deduced from the late Dr. Bradley's observations, and compared with tables improved from Professor Meyer's first manuscript tables. The editor has likewise added the elements of these lunar tables, with which the foregoing observations were compared, together with several very necessary and useful remarks on Hadley's quadrant. To the whole is subjoined, a useful astronomical problem, for finding the error of a transit telescope, by Mr. Lyons.

Monthly Review.

1311. Breaks, on Land-surveying. *Vide* article, 184.

Mr. Breaks, it must be acknowledged, has taken great pains to collect together a variety of propositions and problems relating to

several subjects, in no respect connected, and indeed unconnected with his main design; but he discovers little judgment in the management, illustration, or proof of them. His definitions are loose and inaccurate, and his theorems which are stated without any precision, are hardly intelligible. Monthly Review.

1312. *The Danger and Immodesty of employing Men-Midwives, &c.* Vide articles, 736, 831.

Either through ignorance or design, credulity, perversity, or whim, or all together, this author has adopted and received many of the vulgar prejudices against the men-midwives, at a time when even the very old women have given them up. His possibly well-meant, but wrong-headed, and at the same time very laughable earnestness, in sounding the alarm against a very harmless and sensible practice, has frequently exercised our risible faculties; and could it be done with decency, we should be glad to make our readers partakers of our mirth; but that is impossible, for never did modesty meet with so obscene an advocate. Monthly Review.

1313. *Lapeyre's Answer to a Publication intituled, The danger and immodesty of, &c.* Vide article, 1066.

Mr. Lapeyre here stands forth the champion, in form, of the fair sex, and of their male assistants, against the declamations of the preceding writer. Though he seems to us to treat his subject, rather with too much solemnity and parade, this objection does not lie against the manner in which he accosts his antagonist, whom he treats, *de haut en bas*, with great contempt and scurrility. The midwives meet with no better quarter from him, whose ignorance, obstinacy, rashness and violence he exposes and exemplifies, in the recital of some late chamber scenes; particularly in one, where "the learned and eminent" Mrs. ———, one of the worthies in the preceding author's recommendatory list, plays a very distinguished part. Monthly Review.

1314. *Letters from an English Gentleman, on his Travels through Denmark, &c.* Vide article, 1279.

This writer expresses himself as a warm friend to queen Juliana Maria, whose character is so severely attacked in the political system, &c. and places the conduct of the unfortunate Matilda in the most unfavourable light: but what credit is due to an anonymous pamphleteer? Monthly Review.

1315. *A Sketch of the Secret History of Europe, &c.* Vide articles, 1206, 1264.

One would imagine, from the dogmatical tone of this writer, that he was intimately acquainted with the most private transactions of the cabinet, in all the courts of Europe. His information, however, extends to no circumstances, not hitherto known and attended to. At the same time, we will not positively assert, that our

our Gazettes and news-papers are the only sources of his knowledge. From the foreign idioms into which he has fallen, he may be suspected to have been in the train of some of our ambassadors. He writes with some degree of spirit, but does not discover much genius or ability.

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If we may judge by the ease, the accuracy, the authority, with which this writer develops the intrigues of the several European courts, and, above all, by the facts which he adduces to support his system, it will not be easy to deny that he is really in the secret. His observations are not detached, nor confined to any particular quarter; he travels like a real politician; he unlocks every cabinet, and connects all the links of the political chain, in a manner highly satisfactory.

Lond. Magazine.

1316. Ruffhead's Index to the Statutes. *Vide* article, 606.

This index reaches as far down as the fourth of the present king, for the quarto edition of the statutes.

Monthly Review.

1317. A Letter to the Proprietors of East-India Stock, on the Subject of sending Supervisors with extraordinary powers to India. By a Friend to fair Discussion. 8vo. 6d. Bladon.

This writer is both able and candid. He has stated every objection that can be made to the supervisor scheme, and has shewn their impropriety, with much force of evidence. His manner and style are not equal to his matter.

Monthly Review.

1318. Ermina. A Novel. *Vide* article, 1207.

A most insupportable languor and heaviness crawls through these volumes; in which we are struck with no novelty of incidents, or of character; we are surprized with no unexpected or interesting situations; nor are we charmed with any delicacy of sentiment or of manner.

Monthly Review.

In general, the same characters may be given of all modern novels, nor does the novel now before us furnish an exception to this rule. The same poverty of invention, character and art—The same abundance of nonsense and folly—characterize them all. There is no variation in the style (speak who will) nor in the dullness.

Lond. Magazine.

1319. The Explanation. A Novel. *Vide* article, 1281.

We have seldom met with a performance more insipid than the present; which offers nothing to excite applause or attention.

Monthly Review.

Entirely destitute of what novels usually profess to communicate, instruction and entertainment. It is a collection of nonsensical remarks, grammatical inaccuracies, and the frothiest froth of sentiment.

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1320. Sir Amorous Whimsey; or the Disappointed Macaroni. A poetical Tale. 4to. 1s. sewed. Evans.

This tale has a very handsome engraved title-page.

Monthly Review.

The intention of this little poem is to expose to ridicule the folly, ignorance, and self-conceitedness of those who are distinguished by the title of Macaronies; but the satire, in general, possesses very little poignancy.

Critical Review.

The part of this pamphlet which is best executed, is the little engraving upon the title-page. As to the rest, we do not know which is most contemptible, the poetry or the subject of it.

Lond. Magazine.

1321. St. Pierre's Art of cultivating the Vine. *Vide* article, 1202.

In all appearance, the fullest and most complete treatise of the kind, that hath been published in this country.

Monthly Review.

1322. Bell's Latin Grammar. *Vide* article, 96.

Pilfered, without judgment or ingenuity.

Monthly Review.

The author of this grammar, by labouring too strenuously for the multum in parvo, has over-reached the point, and thrown an obscurity over the whole.

Lond. Magazine.

1323. Essai Philosophique & Pratique, sur l'Education des jeunes Seigneurs & Gentlehommes, que l'on veut avancer dans le Monde, & a la Cour. Par M. Porny, Professeur de langue Françoise á Eton. 12mo. 3s. Parker.

In this treatise there is a mixture of good sense and whim. The author does not appear to be destitute of knowledge; but his vivacity is greater than his penetration or philosophy.

Monthly Review.

1324. The Life of Theod. Agrippa D' Aubigne; &c. *Vide* articles, 759, 946.

Apparently written with judgment and impartiality; and we believe the most complete account of this honest, brave and learned hero of the Huguenots, that hath yet been laid before the public.

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Well worthy the perusal of all who wish to be acquainted with the occurrences of a period, which will ever be remembered with horror, in consequence of the treachery, bigotry and assassinations which disfigured it.

Ledger.

1325. The new Foundling-Hospital for Wit. Part V. *Vide* article, 998.

A medley; some bad, some good.

Monthly Review.

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Containing a number of little fugitive pieces, by the wits of the present age, most of which have already appeared in the public papers.
Ledger.

1326. Pollen's fatal Consequences of Adultery. *Vide* articles, 765, 856.

Adultery here undergoes a religious, historical and political investigation, from which the honest and virtuous reader will derive as much entertainment as a reflecting and upright mind is capable of receiving, from the contemplation of a subject so hateful to virtue, so dishonourable to human nature. Monthly Review.

Mr. Pollen here endeavours to shew, from the earliest accounts of time, the formidable evils adultery has brought, not only upon individuals, but on whole nations. He has also collected several of the antient laws relating to adultery, and to the punishment of that offence; to which he has added a short history of marriage, in order to prove the respectable light that institution has been ever held in, by all civilized people. Ledger.

1327. The Female Miscellany. *Vide* article, 1079.

The first part contains a sketch of grammar, an abridgement of holy history, a small collection of fables, &c. The second consists of a series of letters for the use of a boarding school; and being written with a due regard to religion and decency, may be proper for the purpose. Monthly Review.

1328. The Philosophy of the Passions. *Vide* articles, 88, 209, 324.

There is much of St. Augustin, much of grace, and much of mysticism in this treatise, which will probably confine the number of its admirers to the remnant of Hutchinson's followers, and the disciples of William Law. Monthly Review.

1329. The School. *Vide* article, 767.

Ascribed to Mrs. Maese, mistress of a boarding-school in Bath; and more correct than could be expected from a female pen.

Monthly Review.

1330. An Historical Description of the Church of Canterbury. *Vide* article, 861.

Apparently drawn up with a degree of accuracy and judgment, suitable to the nature of the undertaking. Monthly Review.

1331. Ruffel's Elements of Painting. *Vide* articles, 781, 1051.

Mr. Ruffel has here, in the most distinguished manner, communicated to the public, the whole arcana of his profession. His book, in short, contains a set of valuable instructions for young students in this elegant branch of the fine arts; introduced by some ingenious and well-written observations on taste, and general rules for drawing.

Monthly Review.

1332. Taplin,

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1332. Taplin, on the Game. *Vide* articles, 1096, 1267.

1333. An Essay on the Mode of executing a new Description of England, &c. *Vide* articles, 986, 1199.

The Monthly Review, on these articles, gives no more than a brief account of the pamphlets, which we have given three months ago.

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1334. Rawlins, on Heretical Opinions. *Vide* article, 864.

The design of this pamphlet is important, and the dissertation itself may be even entertaining, as well as instructive, to those readers who wish to obtain a general acquaintance with the rise and progress of particular parties and various opinions in the Christian church. Rational and sensible.

Monthly Review.

In this tract, the author gives us a general view of some of the principle heresies, which have infected the Christian church; and then shews, that these errors are no reasonable objections against the truth and excellence of Christianity, nor any grounds for the false pretences of popery and infidelity. There are puerilities in his style, and triteness in some of his observations; yet, in other places, unquestionable indications of good sense and learning.

Critical Review.

1335. A Dissertation on the Millenium. *Vide* article, 993.

The publication of this pamphlet, we are informed, has been occasioned by a sermon printed on the same subject, in 1771, by Mr. Greenhill, who according to the account here given, seems to believe, "Now to be the intermediate space of time between the " millenium and the end of the world." This writer, (who discovers both good sense and learning, and who offers several arguments, in support of his hypothesis, greatly similar to that of Dr. Whitby) apprehends, it may not be amiss to admonish him, and others who may happen to agree with him in this particular, that the series of the prophecy, the course and order of the revelation exhibited by St. John, evince, that the millenium is yet to come, nay, that the seventh trumpet is not yet sounded.

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1336. Sermons to Tradesmen. *Vide* articles, 994, 1058.

A very seasonable, and if properly attended to, may prove a very useful publication. The first of the two sermons has passed through one edition, and we cannot but express our wish that each of them may be more generally known and read.

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1337. Whitty's Sermons. *Vide* article, 874.

The true character of these discourses seems to us to be that they are serious, practical and well adapted to the edification of
common

common christian societies. They cannot be considered, as very animated, critical, or elegant productions; but, in a plain, though not disgusting dress, they discover a spirit of piety in the writer, and a concern to advance real religion and virtue; to which purpose the different subjects, brought under consideration, are all of them directed.

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1338. A Sermon preached at the Five-Fields Chapel, St. George's Hanover-Square, before the Antient and Honourable Society of Free and accepted Masons, June the 24th. 1772, being the Festival of St. John the Baptist. By the Reverend Mr. John Gower. Published at the request of the united Lodges, under the sanction of Sir Robert Stuart. 8vo. 6d. Cooke.

We have a good deal of free-mason wit in this sermon; as "we should constantly try every minute action of our lives; whether it will square with God's word; whether it is level with his commands; whether it is upright, according to the plumb-rule of conscience, and within the compass of innocence?" In the quibbling days of gued king Jamie, a genius like this would certainly have made its way to a mitre!

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1339. Transactions of the American Philosophical Society. *Vide* article, 984.

The society at Philadelphia seems to be established on the same plan with the Royal Society, at London: and this is the first volume of their transactions; which affords us a convincing proof of the encreasing greatness and prosperity of our American colonies.

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1340. Observations on the Character and Conduct of a Physician. In twenty Letters to a Friend. 8vo. 2s. 6d. Johnson.

The idea of this work appears to be founded upon a book, which was published about three years ago, entituled, Observations on the Duties and Offices of a Physician. It first attempts to shew what disposition of mind, or what characteristic features are essential to the profession of a physician; then proceeds to treat of the particular mode of education and the acquired accomplishments, that relate to his character; after which, it points out what plan it will be necessary for him to adopt in his intercourse with the rest of mankind, his patients, his brethren, and those who are engaged in the two employments more immediately connected with that of physick. The letters are supposed to be written from one physician to another, who intends breeding his son to the same profession. They undoubtedly contain many just and useful observations, and are composed in a masculine style; but we apprehend

hend that their utility is greatly anticipated by the book abovementioned on the duties and offices of a physician.

Critical Review.

1341. A candid Enquiry into the Merits of Cadogan's Dissertation. *Vide* article, 1283.

Of the many pamphlets which have appeared in answer to Dr. Cadogan's dissertation, this is both the most minute and diffusive. It is written chiefly in the ironical strain; but the sarcasm is rather ludicrous than poignantly severe. We here meet with a few passages, where the author's arguments are inconclusive; though we must acknowledge that in general he reasons justly, and rallies with a considerable degree of pleasantry. In short, the pamphlet discovers the author to be possessed of no small share of acuteness, and may be read with pleasure, even by those who are tired of the subject in controversy.

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1342. Jortin's Sermons. *Vide* article, 1235.

These discourses deserve to be reckoned among the most accurate and valuable theological compositions in the English language. They are written in a manly style, and fraught with solid reasoning, judicious observations, rational piety, just and honourable representations of christianity and the supreme Being.

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1343. Priestly's Institutes of natural and revealed Religion. *Vide* articles, 585, 786.

This rational and ingenious author's view, here, is, he says, to teach the elements of religious knowledge to persons intended for common life, and not for any of the learned professions. He has therefore avoided those metaphysical and abstruse speculations, which have been raised from every branch of the subject, and has chiefly confined himself to such considerations as are most likely to produce conviction in the minds of those, who are not much used to close reflection. In this volume, he treats of the being and attributes of God, the rules of human duty, and the future expectations of mankind, upon the principles of natural reason. As the work is to be continued, the second volume will contain the evidences of revelation; the third, the doctrines of revelation; the fourth, the corruptions of christianity, the grounds of the protestant faith, and the reasons for which the author and others of his persuasion, dissent from the church of England.

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1344. Georgical Essays. *Vide* articles, 588, 1216.

1345. Priestly's Directions for impregnating Water with fixed Air. *Vide* articles, 978, 1214.

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1346. The Advantages and Disadvantages of Inclosing waste Lands, &c. *Vide* article, 1217.

1347. Stennet's Account of the late Application of the Dissenting Ministers to Parliament. *Vide* articles, 1113, 1243.

The Critical Review, upon each of the above four articles gives no other than some short account of them, which has been done by us, some months since.

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This pamphlet contains a concise and satisfactory account of the reasons which determined the protesting dissenting ministers to apply to parliament, for the abolition of subscription and of their mode of proceeding therein. The author, Dr. Stennet, argues upon the general principles of liberty, and constantly exhibits a spirit of free, candid and unbiassed enquiry; but we remember to have heard many of his arguments adduced, in support of the same cause, in the house of Commons. The style is inelegant.

London Mag.

1348. Rowley, on Diseases of the Breasts. *Vide* article, 1280.

Here also the Critical Reviewer contents himself with laying before his readers a partial account of the tract.

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Though many volumes have been written on the treatment of diseases of the breast, when they become confirmed, hardly any have directed their enquiries to the prevention of them, or to the cure of them, in their infant state. To obviate this capital neglect, has been the study of the author of this little treatise; and we hope his laudable endeavours will be crowned with success. His descriptions are plain and comprehensive, but perhaps too concise for the importance of the subject.

London Mag.

1349. Graham's Doctrine of Atonement considered. *Vide* articles, 1001, 1121.

In this performance, the author has not indeed advanced any thing material, which is new; for the same notions, in general, have been maintained by Dr. Sykes, in his treatise on redemption, and by others; but he has placed some things in a light, in which they are not commonly seen, or attended to; his pamphlet, therefore, is well worth the perusal of every one; who desires to form worthy sentiments of God and religion.

Critical Review.

1350. The Marchioness of Pompadour's Letters. *Vide* articles, 758, 1229.

The authenticity of these letters is certainly somewhat questionable; however they partake of the same strain of vivacity, with the former. The letters contained in this volume are addressed to various persons, chiefly of eminence. They are more entertaining than any of the preceding, and are, probably, the last originals that will

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published under the name of this celebrated lady.

Critical Review.

1351. Thoughts on the Dangers apprehended from Popery, &c. *Vide* articles, 991, 1242.

It has been apprehended, that in case the 39 articles were abolished, there would be no sufficient fence left against the admission of popery, &c. The design of this pamphlet is to obviate these apprehensions, and to prove, that no beneficial effects appear to have been derived from subscriptions, which might not as well be obtained by the present form of government and mode of worship. The pamphlet, though short, contains some very reasonable observations.

Critical Review.

1352. Tucker's Apology, &c. 2d. edition corrected. Bladon. *Vide* articles, 95, 147, 283.

In this republication there are some additions, distinguished by crotchets; but they are few and inconsiderable.

Critical Review.

1353. Peckard's Visitation Sermon. *Vide* articles, 890, 1241.

The moderation and good sense of the author, in this discourse, merits the highest approbation.

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1354. A Review of all Mr. Wesley's Doctrines. *Vide* articles, 760, 1166.

The production of a staunch and able Calvinist, well known by some former publications.

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1355. Friendly Remarks on Mr. Fletcher's Vindication. *Vide* articles, 1004, 1168.

This writer complains loudly of the unfair and contemptible manner in which the good christians of his persuasion have been treated by Mr. Fletcher. He points out a number of inconsistencies in Mr. Wesley's writings, defends the notion of finished salvation, and makes some animadversions on the doctrine of sinless perfection, a second justification by works, &c. very much in the strain of the author of article 1354.

Critical Review.

1356. Directions to prevent the Contagion of the Jail-Dissemper. *Vide* article, 1293.

The precepts delivered in this pamphlet, being drawn from the most approved authors, who have treated of the jail-dissemper, their utility may be regarded as unquestionable; and the author has added to these directions several proposals, respecting the regulation of prisoners, particularly transports, which are highly worthy of attention.

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1357. Ewing's,

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1357. Ewing's Synopsis of practical Mathematics. *Vide* articles, 435, 552, 797.

This work contains a small, but not inelegant synopsis of mathematical learning, wherein the ingenious author seems to have selected his materials from the best authorities, and within the compass of a few pages, judiciously ranged the several branches of this most useful art. Practical geometry, plain trigonometry, mensuration and gunnery we here find treated with great perspicuity. It is therefore not improbable but this performance will fully answer Mr. Ewing's expectations, as a school-book, to lessen the labour of teaching and shorten the time of learning. Critical Review,

1358. A Letter to the Bishop of Rochester. *Vide* article, 987, 1239.

A serious and not an indecent remonstrance. Critical Review.

1359. Report of the Lords of Trade, respecting the Ohio, &c. *Vide* article, 1219.

This pamphlet contains a full detail of the particulars relative to the scheme of establishing a colony on the Ohio; together with the objections which were made to that project at the board of trade. The observations and remarks, here published, tend greatly to recommend the execution of the above establishment. Critical Review.

1360. The Queen of Denmark's Account of the late Revolution, &c. *Vide* articles, 1100, 1228.

A title, calculated to procure eighteen pence for each copy.

Critical Review.

1361. The Theatrical Review. *Vide* articles, 1090, 1233.

A collection of essays printed occasionally in a morning paper in the course of last year, and may afford amusement to the lovers of theatrical subjects. Critical Review.

1362. Memoirs of Joshua Dudley. *Vide* article, 1093.

The hero of these memoirs is so closely related to the late well-known Jonathan Britain, in point of character, that it is but justice to allow them the encomium of being par nobile fratrum!

Critical Review.

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1363. Elements of Trigonometry, Plane and Spherical: With the principles of Perspective and projection of the Sphere. By John Wright. 8vo. 251 pages with 20 of preface and contents, and 7 copper-plates of references. Printed at Edinburgh. Kincaid, Edinburgh.

Mr. Wright

Mr. Wright professes here to have had no discovery of his own to communicate, his design being only to collect, in one small volume, several things that relate directly or indirectly to trigonometry. He has, through a persuasion that the trigonometrical tables, already published, are sufficient, omitted giving any. He has described only methods by which they may be constructed; and, as the scales and sector are very useful instruments in this science, he has shewn us how they are to be constructed and used. Supposing his reader to be acquainted with Euclid's elements, and part of Theodosius upon the sphere, he first teaches him perspective, then, the projection of the sphere, and concludes with spherical triangles. Upon the whole, this volume appears to be a judicious compilation of what the best authors have said upon the subject, is principally confined to Trigonometry, and intended for such as study geometry regularly.

1364. *Lucubrations of Gaffer Grey-beard.* Containing many curious particulars relating to the manners of the people of England, during the present age; including the present state of religion, particularly among the Protestant Dissenters. In a series of letters, on a plan entirely new. To which is prefixed an analysis and a scale. Two volumes. Small 12mo. 387 pages in the two, and 8 of preface, &c. 6s. bound. Roson.

There is nothing new that we can see in this plan, but that of a religious work, under a ludicrous title. The author would have us suppose that these letters were found in the lodgings of Gaffer Greybeard, and, as such, given to the public. A few of the first letters are decently written, but the writer, fearful lest the subject should grow dull and tiresome, presently launches out into an attempt at spirit and marring the whole; the language to the end being low and vulgar. The author's design is to enquire whether the conduct of the religious professors among the dissenters, corresponds with their divine original. He enters first into the state of christianity in general, enquires how the reformation was brought about; examines into the different modes of religion here; endeavours to shew that the present state of presbytery is no other than a trade, and the various protestant professions, priestcraft. With a great deal of illiberality, though at the same time, with some just observations, he enters largely into methodism and with an eye to particular persons, exposes the arts of its teachers and calls it popery, though under another name. In short, with whatever good designs he may have penned these volumes, he neither shews himself to be a scholar, a man of understanding, or a gentleman. As to the manners of the people, he no where touches on them, except in religious matters, to which his subject leads him. He has added, in one page, what he calls an analysis, to shew how the religious sects in this nation have sprung out of each other, since the reformation; and in another page, a scale of the comparative

rative difference, in value, of the protestant dissenting sects, with respect to learning, morals, piety and orthodoxy.

1365. The principles, elements, or primary particles of bodies inquired into, and found to be neither those of the Chymists, or of the natural Philosophers; but earth, water, air, fire, and frost; taken from the observance of nature and numerous experiments. By John Gibson, M. D. 8vo. III pages, with 7 of preface, 3s. sewed. Printed for the author. Nourse.

This work is divided into 255 sections or data, (hereafter to be explained) by way of syllabus to a course of lectures, which the author designs to begin, when a sufficient number of pupils offer to attend. He first treats of the elements of bodies in their most simple state, and then proceeds to their combinations. Many things will be found new in this work, particularly under the articles, fire and frost. He asserts that fire, contrary to the opinion of all philosophers, is synonymous with light; that light is only the elemental particles of fire, in motion, which proceed from the sun and pervade the substance of all bodies, in different proportions; that it moves through the densest substances with ease, and extends their dimensions. With respect to frost, he thinks himself warranted, contrary to established principles, to introduce it, as a fifth element, the former four, according to his notions, not being sufficient to explain the appearances of nature. Among other things he sets forth, that the particles of frost, in certain proportions, banish those of fire; that cold is a pervasion of the elements of frost, and not merely a privation of heat, as has been conceived, and that the azure colour of the vault of heaven is no other than the collected particles of the principle of frost. The existence of this element he attempts to prove, by the report of our senses and to confirm, by reason and experience; for, says he, "Could they unite and cement the fluid parts of water into a solid body, without being material? Could they encrease its specific levity and render it elastic, when formed into ice, in any other way, than by the interposition of material particles, banishing the particles of fire?" In short, whatever reasons we may have for dissenting from this author's opinion; as he declares, he has advanced nothing with a view of raising a system for particular purposes; but in order, if possible, to make a thorough research into nature, we cannot but be pleased with the performance, and give it as our opinion, that it has something in it ingenious and clever; that Dr. Gibson is a man of parts and penetration, and that his tract is sufficient to rouse the curious to that study, which has so long lain dormant.

1366. The Ladies best Companion; or a golden Treasure for the fair Sex; containing the whole arts of cookery, pastry, confectionary, potting, pickling, preserving, candying, collaring, brewing, &c. with plain instructions for making English

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English wines, from fruits, flowers, &c. To which is added, the art of preserving beauty, containing the best and easiest methods of preparing and making washes, essences, and perfumes, &c. for the hands, neck, face and hair, in such a manner, as, in a great measure, to delay the ravages of time on the features of the fair sex. Likewise directions for sweetening the breath, curing the tooth-ach, preserving the teeth and gums, &c. with many other articles equally useful to the fair sex in general. By Mrs. Amelia Chambers. To which are added, every Lady her own, and families Physician, consisting of approved physical receipts for most disorders, that grown people and young children are subject to. Also the family Instructor, containing directions for cleaning silks, lace and furniture, taking out spots from linen and cloaths, &c. &c. and great variety of other articles too numerous to be inserted in a title-page. Large 12mo. 203 pages. 2s. sewed. Cooke.

The author of these pages assures us, the receipts are the result of long experience, every one of them having been many times tried and none of them ever proving ineffectual. Those on cookery seem calculated to instruct the servant equally with the mistress, being here taught to roast mutton, veal, and pork, as well as dress the famous dish called, Oxford John. In short there are as many receipts for plain dishes, as made ones. Besides all the long title-page promises, there are added proper instructions to servants, in cleaning furniture, washing, smoothing, and many other articles necessary to be known by those who would acquire the character either of industrious housewives, or notable servants. So that the Duce is in it, if we have not enough for the money!

1367. Free Thoughts on the late Application of some dissenting Ministers to Parliament, in a letter to the Rev. * * * * *. Wherein is proved, that the prayer of their petition originated with sentiment. To which are added, Remarks on the New Testament, with a few strictures on the different pieces, published in defence of the said application. By Edward Hitchin, B. D. 8vo. 53 pages. 1s. A. Bell.

The author of this sensible and dispassionate pamphlet, declares himself an enemy to intolerance, professes himself, on principle, to be one of those dissenters stiled independent or congregational, in consequence of which he is allowed to be the pastor of a congregation, and as such, cannot think it is his duty to trouble government with a prayer for relief, when he does not stand in need of it. He condemns the application to parliament for many reasons, in the first place, because he is perswaded it sprung from a dislike to these articles, the toleration requires a subscription to; besides, on account of the suddenness of the proposal, the rapidity with which the business was carried on, the hurry with which it was pushed into the house of commons, without any of the dissenters, except a very few knowing

knowing it, and the nature of the petition itself, substituting one human test in the room of another. He is strongly for some test of faith, and thinks we cannot have a better than the present.

1368. The Kenrickad, a Poem. 4to. 16 pages. 1s. Griffin.

This piece is written in jingling lines of eight syllables each, which we suppose the author would call verses; but they have very little pretension to that name. It is a dialogue between envy and despair, under the last of which Dr. Kenrick is characterised. It is meant to lash that gentleman, for the liberty he took with Mr. Garrick, but falls as far short of the design, as this attempt at metre, does from true poetry.

1369. An address to the Judges and the public, on a decision lately made in one of our courts of Judicature. 8vo. 17 pages. 6d. Printed for the author. Kearsly.

The case of Davis against Lee, in a cause tried at Wells, before Mr. Justice Nares, relative to a dispute about a piece of ground at Bath, which Davis had contracted for, at Lee's desire, to build a theatre on, and by which Davis was a sufferer. Mr. Lee, the writer of this pamphlet, charges Davis with perjury, and condemns the Judge for admitting parole-evidence, contrary to the statute to prevent frauds, perjuries, &c. when the defendant had rested his cause upon a written agreement; by which means he was cast, and now lies under judgment and execution in the King's-bench prison. Lee has applied for a new trial, and has been refused.

1370. An argument in the case of James Sommerfett, a Negro, lately determined by the Court of King's-bench, wherein it is attempted to demonstrate the present unlawfulness of domestic slavery in England. To which is prefixed a state of the case. By Mr. Hargrave, one of the Counsel for the Negro. 8vo. 82 pages. 2s. Printed for the author. Otridge.

A learned and ingenious investigation of the subject, written, as if supposed to be delivered in court. Mr. Hargrave first reasons on domestic slavery, exhibits a view of its nature, its bad tendency, its origin and the arguments for and against its justice. He then proceeds to oppose the introduction of domestic slavery from abroad; which done, he examines how far the subject is affected, by the judicial decisions since or just before the extinction of villenage: and concludes with observing, that negroes not only become free on being brought into this country, but that the law of England confers the gift of liberty entire and unincumbered; consequently Mr. Steuart cannot have the least right over Sommerfett the negro, either in the open character of a slave, or in the disguised one of an ordinary servant, from any claim of contract the negro could enter into, during the time of his slavery, while abroad. The arguments for and against are here fairly

stated, and we may venture to assert, it is the best piece hitherto written on the subject.

1371. The Irish Widow, in two Acts; as it is performed at the Theatre-Royal in Drury-Lane. 8vo. 50 pages, besides the Dedication, &c. 1s. Becket.

This Farce, for under any other name it would be intolerable, has been, by some, attributed to the pen of Mr. Garrick. How it could be supposed that Mr. Garrick would degrade his talents as a dramatic writer, in giving birth to a piece of this kind, we cannot conceive. Indeed it is a reflection on his theatrical taste, to bring it on the stage. The only merit it has, is that of some of the characters being written for particular players, as Weston, Parsons, and Moody. The plot is execrable, and the part of the widow Brady disgusting. However, as it is not wholly destitute of low humour, it may set an upper gallery in a roar, or shine in the meridian of Bartholomew Fair, but that it has been suffered to pass, by a rational audience, is greatly astonishing. To mention the plot, would be unnecessary, as it has been given in every News-paper, and every Magazine.

1372. The Christian Triumph, being the substance of a Sermon, occasioned by the death of Miss Ann Williams; who departed this life September 14, 1772; in the 21st year of her age. With the address delivered at her interment. By Abraham Booth. 8vo. 51 pages. 6d. Dilly.

A kind of declamatory descant on the 55th, 56th and 57th verses of the 15th chapter of St. Paul's 1st Epistle to the Corinthians. It is penned in animated language, and written merely for the pulpit, that is, it is not sufficiently correct or methodised for the closet. The address, is by way of oration over the grave.

1373. Friendship with God. An Essay on its nature, excellence, importance, and means of improvement. By Richard Jones. 12mo. 257 pages. with 15 of Dedication and Contents. 3s. 6d. sewed. Dilly.

The design of this treatise, the author tells us, is to recommend an humble and habitual intercourse with Deity, as the essence of religion and the source of rational and permanent happiness; and from the plain and pious manner in which it is written, we hope it will answer that end. It is penned systematically, and may be perused with pleasure and improvement.

1374. Refuge for the prisoner of hope: or Christ, the Sanctuary for troubled Souls. In a letter to a friend. With a recommendatory Preface, by Rowland Hill, M. A. 12mo. 19 pages. 2d. Lewis.

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A decent piece of religious advice, on Calvinistical principles ; written by the author of A treatise on marriage, and recommended by Mr. Hill, the field-preacher.

1375. Continuation of the decisions of the Court of King's-bench, upon settlement cases, by four additional years, ending in July, 1772. To which is added, a complete abridgment of each case ; and two tables of the names of the cases, one Chronological, the other Alphabetical ; together with a table of the principal matters. Published for the use of Justices of the Peace and Barristers, and others attending the Quarter-Sessions. By James Burrow, Esq; Master of the Crown-office. 4to. 91 pages, with 10 of tables. 2s. Tovey.

As causes in courts of Judicature are often determined by precedents, nothing can be more useful than a collection of cases, published from time to time, with the decisions of the courts upon them. This is a continuation of a valuable work brought in from the year 1768. The tract begins with page 627, and contains 29 cases, respecting parish settlements. No magistrate, who values his own safety, or the good of society, should be without this publication.

1376. A practical Introduction to English Grammar and Rhetoric. By Abraham Crocker, School-master, at Ilminster. 12mo. 83 pages, besides Index. 1s. Printed for the Author, at Sherborne. Robinson.

The author of this Grammar, wishes it to be read previous to Lowth's, which he thinks not suited to the capacity of youth at school. We find nothing new here, but that such things as are most necessary for children to remember, are delivered by way of question and answer, and those, that are not so absolutely necessary to be remembered at first, are given in notes at the bottom of the pages. There is an appendix to this work, containing some rules for reading with propriety, and, by way of further addition, a small sketch of Rhetoric.

1377. Illustrations of Masonry. 8vo. 264 pages, with 24 of Preface, Contents and Introduction. 3s. 6d. sewed. Printed for the author. Williams.

The author of this volume is a Mr. William Preston. It is compiled and published under the sanction of the grand master, Lord Petre, and the deputy grand the honourable Charles Dillon. It contains first an account of the Gala held in honour of Free-Masonry, at the Crown and Anchor Tavern in the Strand, on the 21st of May, 1772 ; with the odes that were there sung and performed, and the oration delivered on the occasion, by Mr. Preston ; which is a panegyric on the mystery of Masonry, setting forth the institution, nature and advantages of it. This Gala

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is proposed to be annual, from this time. Among other things, we have here a letter from the learned John Locke to Thomas, Earl of Pembroke, accompanied with an old MSS. written by Henry VI. and found in the Bodleian library, with Mr. Locke's remarks on it. To these are added, by way of Appendix, the several charges delivered to the candidates, at their initiation into the different degrees of Masonry, and the various prayers, forms and ceremonies at consecrations, installations and funerals. But withal, the secrets of the mystery are still held inviolable, nothing being said of the form and ceremony of making a Mason, which the world has been long anxious to know. To this work is added, a copper-plate plan of the Gala, as the members were seated.

1378. Youth; a Poem. By Hall Hartson, Esq; 4to. 24 pages, with an elegant engraving on the title-page. 2s. Griffin.

An heroic poem, written by the author of the Countess of Salisbury. It is a pleasing and poetic description of the dissipation and amusements we naturally run into, in the early part of life; and the rocks we are liable to split on, if not extremely cautious of our conduct.

1379. Alphonso; or the Hermit. 4to. 16 pages, containing 309 lines. 1s. 6d. Printed at Cambridge. Beecroft.

This, without any reflection on Mr. Hartson's abilities, is much prettier than the former, the language being more simple, and of course, more natural; though there are some bad lines, and it is not quite so correct. It is also written in heroic verse, and in a manner very pleasing; being the description of an unthinking youth, taking shelter from a storm in a hermit's cell, and there learning, from the sage, the duty of man, and the folly of idly running life's fashionable round.

1380. The distinct claims of Government and Religion, considered, in a Sermon, preached before the Honourable House of Burgesses at Williamsburg, in Virginia, March 1, 1772. By S. Henley, professor of Moral Philosophy, in William and Mary College. 4to. 17 pages, besides 6 of Dedication and Advertisement. 1s. Printed at Cambridge. Beecroft.

A dry argumentative discourse, from the words, "Render to Cæsar, the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's," Mark xii. 17. Mr. Henley declares, he never should have published it, had not the preaching it given some offence, on the plea of its being an improper discourse for the pulpit. However, as it is far from being ill-written, and was delivered at a time, when the petitioners were busy in their application to parliament, for a universal toleration, and as it favours the petitioners, in our opinion it cannot be considered as wholly unseasonable or improper. It is printed on an exceeding good paper.

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1381. Directions and Observations relative to food, exercise and sleep. 8vo. 23 pages. 6d. Bladon.

We have here a few trifling rules, in every old woman's mouth, but even those advanced upon wrong principles. If the author of these papers, who has very injudiciously collected them from other writers, meant his directions to be followed, he should, if he had been able, have given us some rational arguments in support of his doctrine. This he has not done, for it appears he could not do it; of course his pamphlet is not worth a farthing; for who will diet themselves upon the ipse dixit of any man? However could such a one be found, was he to follow these rules implicitly, he would injure his constitution rather than preserve it.

1382. Miscellanies; by the late R. Doddsley. Vol. II. 8vo. 261 pages, with 4 copper plates. 5s. Doddsley.

The second volume of Mr. Doddsley's miscellaneous pieces collected together, containing the tragedy of Cleone; Melpomene, or the regions of terror and pity, an ode; agriculture, a poem in three cantos, blank verse; and the œconomy of human life, translated from an Indian MSS. in prose; all of which have been printed before. To this volume is a masterly engraving of Mr. R. Doddsley, by Ravenet, from a painting by Sir Joshua Reynolds.

1383. The Irishman; or the Favourite of Fortune. A Satirical Novel, founded upon Facts. 2 vols. 12mo. 436 pages, besides 8 of Dedication. 6s. bound: Goldsmith.

We are told, in the Dedication, that the hero of this performance was a member of the Irish parliament, but now dead; and that these papers contain only some few of his adventures selected out, in order to be useful to those young men, who, untaught by experience, mistake so often the shadow for the substance. This plausible account made us take up the book with pleasure; but we had not read five pages, before we found ourselves deceived. It contains the history of a handsome young fellow, who, though bred at the university, was afterwards the servant of a man of fashion, who out of friendship to him, sent him over to Ireland, well recommended, in order to make his fortune. There he falls into a variety of intrigues, in which the author has contrived to paint the fair sex in very treacherous and vicious colours. However, at the solicitation of a lady of quality, one of his admirers, he obtains a pension from the Lord Lieutenant, gets to the gaming table and wins 20,000l. with which he prudently retires. Were we not totally to condemn this novel, as extremely low, vulgar and fulsome, we should be unjust to ourselves and to our readers. Though he has dedicated his piece to Lord Townshend, he has set him forth in a despicable light, and though he has contrived to throw in a few extraordinary incidents, they are forced and unnatural.

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1284. *The History of Miss Pamela Howard.* By the author of *Indiana Danby*. 2 vols. 8vo. 443 pages. 6s. bound. Lownds.

That of a virtuous and beautiful young lady, launching into life, motherless, and with the unhappiness of having a rigid, boorish father. It is a melancholy story, setting forth the dreadful consequences of parents crossing their children in marriage, assisted by the cruelty of a step-mother, who forces Miss Howard to marry a relation of her's on account of the fortune she possesses, which brings on the death of the young lady, and the gentleman to whom she was first attached. Richardson's Sir Charles Grandison and his whole family are introduced into this piece, at Clementina's father's house, at Bologna, wherein lady Grandison is considered in a very insipid light. With respect to the execution, we cannot boast of it. In the hands of some novelists, it might have been clever, but it is here very ill-penned. There are some few interesting scenes, but the story is hurried on in the beginning, and is unnatural at the end.

1285. *A Treatise on the Management of Pregnant and Lying-in women, and the means of curing, but more especially of preventing disorders to which they are liable. Together with some new directions, concerning the delivery of the child and placenta in natural births. Illustrated with cases.* By Charles White, F. R. S. member of the Corporation of Surgeons, in London, and Surgeon to the Manchester Infirmary. 8vo. 353 pages, with 20 of Preface, &c. 5s. bound. Dilly.

Our author is well informed in all that immediately relates to his art, is candid and liberal in his quotations, and does not appear to arrogate to himself the invention of the excellent practice which he recommends. We therefore with the greater pleasure declare, that the cool, cleanly antiseptic regimen, adopted for some years by several eminent practitioners, for the prevention and cure of febrile and other disorders of parturient women, is enforced, and, in some measure, extended in this work, by a variety of observations, by satisfactory cases, sound reasoning and judicious arrangement.—In every particular it claims the attention of young practitioners in midwifery; and, in what relates to the management of the breasts and nipples, the free admission of good air, to exercise, cleanliness, the dress of pregnant women, their getting early out of bed after delivery, the moderate use or occasional exclusion of spirituous and spiced caudles, and the diet of nurses, we find it commendable to married ladies, whose concurrence is necessary to support rational practice, against the prejudice of old women and nurses.—Two copper-plates are added to this volume, one representing an armed chair, contriv'd for the conveniency of delivery, and the other, a bedstead, the sacking of which screws up and raises the head. It is dedicated to Dr. William Hunter.

1386. *The Way to Please him; or the History of Lady Sedley.* By the author of *The Way to Lose him*. 2 vols. 12mo. 495 pages, 6s. bound. Noble.

A very pleasing novel, the story being well told, and truly interesting. The characters are such as we only meet with in polite life, and these, with the different incidents, are very skillfully and naturally introduced. The language is good and the sentiments (of which the piece is not barren) are strictly chaste.

1387. *The Way to Lose him: or the History of Miss Wyndham.* By the author of *The Way to Please him*. 2 vols. 12mo. 464 pages. 6s. bound. Noble.

*This performance differs from the above, in as much as it is written in letters, which method of novel-writing, in our opinion, is by far the best. Like the former, it deserves our approbation, the subject being really interesting, and the different characters, which are in the genteelest walk of life, finely disposed. The volumes abound with the chastest sentiments. The language is not inferior to that of *The way to please him*; and the conclusion is happy. Whoever is the author of these two novels, we cannot but esteem him, being assured the perusal of them will contribute to an improvement of the morals, and being persuaded they were written with a laudable design of promoting the cause of virtue.*

1388. *The Servants Book of Knowledge, containing Tables of Wages, ready cast up, for any number of pounds, or guineas, they may have to receive for one or more days, weeks or months, up to a year; which will explain to every servant, what he or she may have to receive for odd days, weeks, months or years: nicely calculated to the hundredth part of a farthing. Together with a table for marketing, from one penny and upwards, per pound. Likewise tables, shewing the even parts of pounds, shillings and pence, from one penny to a thousand pounds. The whole made perfectly easy to every capacity. By Anthony Heasel. To which are added, plain and easy instructions for servants of both sexes, to qualify themselves for places in general, in order to obtain the favour of their masters and mistresses, in the discharge of their several stations; but more particularly for the valet, shopman, apprentice, gardiner, footman, farmer's man, groom, house-keeper, lady's-maid, house-maid, chamber-maid, cook, laundry-maid, nursery-maid, scullery-maid. &c. including several curious articles for the use of servants, in general, never before published. 8vo. 87 pages, 1s. 6d. Cooke.*

This book needs no further account. It is written in a plain way, but may answer some good purposes.

1389. Grammatical remarks on the practical and vulgar Dialect of the Indostan language, commonly called Moors. With a Vocabulary, English and Moors, the spelling according to the Persian orthography. Wherein are references between words resembling each other in sound, and different in their significations, with literal Translations and Explanations of the compounded words and circumlocutory expressions, for the more easy attaining the Idiom of the language. The whole calculated for the common practice in Bengal. By Captain George Hadley. 8vo. 133 pages, with 16 of Dedication and Preface. 2s. 6d. Cadell.

The author of these pages having been eight years commander of a battalion of Seapoys, in Bengal, did not think he could discharge his duty, as a faithful servant to the Company without making himself acquainted with the language of the place, which he seems to have done, at no small pains. He says, notwithstanding various opinions to the contrary, that the common Moors does admit of a grammar, having nothing to do with the Persian language, which is only confusedly mixed with it. To be acquainted with both, therefore, or to speak the corrupted tongue, as prevalent now at Bengal, he is persuaded it is much better to begin with the Moors. These remarks (which indeed do not form a regular grammar, though they answer the purpose of one,) are carried as far, our author says, as they can well be, so as to preserve the Idiom, and without departing from the practical Dialect. The vocabulary he observes might have been fuller; at present it only contains 2255 words, but it could not be enlarged, without running the risque of inserting something vague and doubtful. The grammatical remarks are comprised in 40 pages.

1390. A Letter to the Right Honourable Lord Mansfield, upon his conduct, in a point lately brought before the Court of King's-bench, concerning the Middlesex Election. Small 8vo. 45 pages. 1s. Reynell, Printer.

A panegyric on Lord Mansfield, for having declined to interfere in the Middlesex election, when the House of Commons was sitting. Though this tract is sensibly written, it is very little to the purpose designed, being merely a recapitulation from history, of the progress of government in its several stages, upwards.

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1391. Transactions of the American Philosophical Society.
Vol. I. *Vide* articles, 984, 1339.

To this volume is prefixed a short account of the ancient and present state of British America, and of the province of Philadelphia in particular; in which is shewn how far the country is capable of improvement, and a way is led to discoveries that may not only be beneficial to the Americans themselves, but may render them more useful to their mother-country. It is divided into four sections, each of which contains a variety of articles on similar subjects, that does honour to the ingenuity and industry of the publishers, and promises great advantage to every branch of ornamental and useful knowledge, from their future disquisitions and labours.

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1392. An Enquiry into the Principles of Toleration, &c.
Vide article 1286.

The result of this enquiry is, that liberty in matters of religion is the right of all; that a right to protection from the magistrate, is the just consequence of their claim to this liberty, and that no difference of opinion, respecting modes of worship, can justify his laying any restraints upon it. The subject is treated with a degree of calm and sober reasoning, which is not often to be found in controversial writings.

Critical Review.

It would be great injustice to the author of this enquiry, not to acknowledge that he is an able and judicious advocate for religious liberty, and that his performance is strongly marked, throughout, with candour and moderation; hence we are persuaded that no judicious friend of establishments can be displeased with what is advanced upon it. He shews clearly, that liberty in matters of religion, is the right of all men, and then proceeds to apply the principles advanced on the subject of Toleration to our laws, and considers how far they are favourable to religious liberty. In short, many important topics are discussed here, in a very solid and satisfactory manner.

Monthly Review.

1393. Dow's History of Hindostan. *Vide* articles 420, 651.

In this work nothing appears to us to have been neglected, that could contribute to render it a complete history of Hindostan, down to the death of the emperor Akbar, the third of the Mogul race. Two volumes of this history were printed some time since, but as the diction of this is greatly superior to those in regard to perspicuity, elegance and harmony, we are persuaded Mr. Dow must have received no small degree of assistance, from some ingenious and learned friend, and that friend seems to be the author of 'The Introduction to the History of Great Britain and Ireland.

Monthly Review.

1394. Bailey's Advancement of the Arts. *Vide* article 617.

We have here a collective view, in methodical arrangement, of a multitude of improvements and discoveries, produced under the happy influence of the society of Arts and Sciences. The plates of themselves form a considerable volume, when bound separately, and they appear to be very well executed.

Monthly Review.

1395. A Collection of curious Discourses, written by eminent Antiquarians, upon several Heads in our English Antiquities. Together with Mr. Thomas Hearne's Preface and Appendix to the former Edition. To which are added, a great Number of Antiquary Discourses, written by the same Authors; most of them now first published, from the original Manuscripts. 8vo. 2 vols. 14s. boards. Richardson, 1771.

It is with pleasure that we embrace the opportunity now offered us, of recommending to our students of law, an attention to English Antiquities; as when he has perused these with care, he will read with every possible advantage, the productions of professed lawyers; for in order to conceive a comprehensive idea of the whole system of our laws, it is requisite we should attend them, from their first sketches to their more perfect draughts. These discourses were written chiefly under the reigns of Elizabeth and the elder James, when the study of antiquities was in its infancy; of course, they are, by no means, complete or perfect, nor do they often of themselves, afford much that is conclusive or satisfactory, but they are materials which may assist the ingenious artist in raising a superstructure.

Monthly Review.

1396. Cameron's Baths of the Romans. *Vide* article 404.

It is to Palladio that we are primarily indebted for the elegant and magnificent view of the Roman Baths, now before us; in this light, the work may be considered as a valuable curiosity. The plates are numerous, the objects delineated on them are noble, and the execution of them is elegant. In our author's enquiry into the rise and progress of architecture among the Romans; we have a brief sketch of the history and revolutions of the city, in the course of which he has introduced such passages from ancient authors, as may serve to illustrate the Roman methods of building, or give an idea of the magnificence of the Romans in public, and of their elegant refinements in private life, and he closes his dissertation with an account of the revival of literature and the polite arts, which took place in the fourteenth century. Part of this work contains a fine collection of Roman cielings, engraved on 22 large copper-plates.

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1397. *Dictionarium Saxonico and Gothico-Latinum*, Auctore Edvardo Lye, M. A. Rectore de Yardley Hastings, in agro Northantonienfi. Accedunt fragmenta Versionis Ulphilanæ necnon Opuscula quædam Anglo-Saxonica. — Edidit Nonnullis Vocabulis auxit, plurimis exemplis illustravit, et Grammaticam utriusque Linguæ præmisit, Owen Manning, S. T. B. Canon Lincoln, Vicarius de Godalming et Rector de Peperharrow, in agro Surrienfi; necnon Reg. Societ. et Reg. Societ. Antiqu. Lond. Socius. Fol. 2 vols. 3l. 3s. in sheets. White.

About 30 sheets of this work were printed during the author's life, under his inspection, and when he died, he left it in strict charge to his friend, Mr. Manning, the learned editor, to publish the whole; which he has executed in a manner that does him no small honour. He has enriched it with very considerable additions, and rendered it a much more valuable work, than it would have been, had he published it, as the author left it. It is very handsomely printed, and considering the great expence attending it, is sold at a very moderate price. Monthly Review.

1398. *Macbride's Introduction to Physic.* Vide article 422, 629.

The great reputation the author of this performance has acquired in the medical and philosophical world, will not, we apprehend, suffer any diminution by the publication of the work before us, in which he appears indeed in the humbler, but useful walk of a compiler of a general and methodical system of physic; though in regard to its form and the matter contained in it, it is, in many respects, original; a method of distribution resembling the botanical arrangements into classes, orders, genera, and species, being here attempted, with regard to diseases. All the distempers to which the human body is liable, Dr. Macbride divides into four classes, viz. universal, local, sexual, and infantile. In which, though he may be thought here and there to be somewhat too concise, he has been generally judicious; and his history and treatment of diseases are delivered in a sensible, familiar and perspicuous manner.

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1399. *Makittrick's Commentaries on the principles and practice of Physic.* Vide article 1009, 1176.

In this elaborate performance, the author has endeavoured to explain the fundamental principles of the theory of medicine, and to place the practice of that art on a rational and solid foundation. In the prosecution of this design, a new and scientific arrangement of diseases is attempted, on a plan different from that of the preceding article, according to their similarity of nature, prognostic and indications of cure. However, the matter of this treatise is, in our opinion, greatly superior to the former.

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1400. The principles of Latin and English Grammar. By Alexander Adam, Rector of the High School of Edinburgh. 8vo. 3s. 6d. Cadell.

Having no inconsiderable share of merit. The rules and definitions are concise and perspicuous; the arrangement is natural, and the manner of illustration plain and easy. The several parts of grammar are here reduced to general principles, and these are followed by particular observations and exceptions, a careful perusal of which, joined with the reading of the classics, and the practice of writing and speaking Latin, the author flatters himself, will supersede the use of any other grammar rules.

Monthly Review.

1401. Infernal Conference. *Vide* article 1098, 1177.

This work is a kind of religious satire, probably the performance of some pious Antinomian divine; who writes somewhat in Bunyan's manner, but without the genius which could produce the celebrated Pilgrim's Progress.

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1402. The written Word, the only Rule of Christian Faith and Manners; and the great Duty of Individuals to Study it. In three Discourses. By A. Temple, A. M. Master of the Free-School at Richmond, and Vicar of Eastby, Yorkshire. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Printed at Newcastle upon Tyne. Wheble.

These sermons have already passed through two editions. They manifest a spirit of piety, a becoming regard to truth and christian liberty, together with a serious concern for all the most important interests of mankind, and at the same time, the composition is animated, and shews the ingenuity and ability of the author. The text of the first is, Matth. x. 34. that of the other two, the words of Philip to the Ethiopian. viz. "Understandest thou what thou readest?"

Monthly Review.

1403. Wesley's Remarks on Hill's Review, &c. *Vide* article 1284.

Mr. Wesley here apologizes for and vindicates himself against the charge of inconsistency. He has much to say in his own defence; and endeavours to make it appear that Mr. Hill, "has sadly failed in his charges; just 100 out of 101 having," as he says, "proved void."

Monthly Review.

1404. Further Remarks on Dr. Campbell's late Synodical Sermon, &c. *Vide* article 1101.

It would not have been amiss if the author of these papers had paid a little more attention to the dress of his piece. However, as ill-written as it is, and though some parts will lead our readers to conclude it to be the production of an enthusiast, it may contain

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contain some truths, and we believe his design to be good. He considers moderate Calvinists and pure Arminians, as he terms them, as coinciding in their sentiments; pleads for abolishing Subscription to the 39 articles, and seems to reject the notions of particular election and reprobation. Monthly Review.

By the Index to the Monthly Review we learn, that the author's name of these remarks is *Memis*. Universal Cat.

1405. The Works of Jacob Behmen. By Law. Vol. III. Vide article 1292.

Who has not heard of Jacob Behmen's divine philosophy and wonderful mysticism, surpassing all comprehension merely human, and perhaps surpassing all human patience too, except that of the late William Law, his zealous and laborious editor; the late John Hutchinson, Esq; the late John Dove, taylor, or the late Baron Swedenberg?—As to the engraved figures, illustrating his principles, we can only say, that had the designer of them lived in those pious times, when Galileo, for his ingenuity, was put into the inquisition, he had certainly been burnt for a sorcerer; for tho' Mr. Law has given an explanation of them, no one can understand them. Monthly Review.

1406. Zimmerman on the Knowledge of Christ. By Browne. Vide article 1187.

The friends of human reason, and well-wishers to common sense, will not hold themselves to be much indebted to Mr. Browne, for the trouble he has taken to import this heavy lump of German enthusiasm into our country, which is already overstocked with the same kind of commodity, of its native growth. Monthly Review.

1407. Stafford's Scripture-Doctrine of Sin and Grace considered. Vide articles 888, 1056.

There are many people among Jack's followers and some among Peter's, who will admire these discourses, and edify by the perusal of them; while the disciples of Martyr and Reason will pay very little attention to any thing that Mr. Stafford can say to them, about indwelling sin and the spiritual warfare, &c. &c. Yet these phrases were once in high estimation; as the writings of Gouge, Keach and Bunyan will testify. Monthly Review.

1408. A calm and plain Answer to the Enquiry, Why are you a Dissenter? &c. Vide article 1003.

This production comes from one of the ablest writers among the Dissenters, and one who hath long distinguished himself as a zealous champion, in the cause of nonconformity. The least that can be said of the present enquiry is, that it points out, with great acuteness and vivacity, the supposed deficiencies and errors in the doctrines,

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doctrines, spirit, constitution, and devotional forms and offices of the church of England. Monthly Review.

1409. A Letter to Sir William Meredith, upon the Subject of Subscription to the Liturgy and Thirty-nine Articles of the Church of England. By an Englishman. 4to. 1s. Swan.

There is an ingenuity and novelty in this author's manner of considering the subject, that could scarcely have been expected upon a question, which most of our readers will perhaps be disposed to regard as almost exhausted. It is in favour of non-subscription.

Monthly Review.

In reference to the church of England, the writer of this letter, who is one of the petitioning clergy, allows the position of Dr. Tucker, that some bond or centre of union is necessary, to the existence and continuance of such a society; but he differs very widely from that learned writer, with respect to the nature of this bond; and he discusses the points in question with great accuracy and precision.

Critical Review.

1410. Hitchin's Free Thoughts on the Dissenters Application to Parliament. *Vide* article 1367.

Mr. Hitchin acquaints his readers, that, while he writes, "he feels a divine charity glowing in his heart towards all mankind." —What this pious man's ideas of divine charity are, we presume not to say; but we see no marks of christian charity in his pamphlet, nor indeed any thing, that can recommend it to the perusal of a liberal-minded reader.

Monthly Review.

*The divinity examiner of the Monthly Review, it must be remembered again, is a rank bigot, in favour of non-subscription. *Vide* *** article 299.*

Univ. Catalogue.

The remarks in this letter seem founded on principles of equity and moderation.

Critical Review.

1411. Milton's Comus, altered. *Vide* article, 1290.

Milton's masque is one of the most beautiful, perhaps the most spirited of his poetical compositions; however in the form in which he left it, it was too argumentative and declamatory for the stage; but, in its present improved state, it bids fair for maintaining a lasting possession of the theatre.

Monthly Review.

1412. The Irish Widow. *Vide* article, 1371.

There is more of the vis comica in this farce, than in most of our late pieces of the same kind; and the part of the Widow has afforded the town uncommon entertainment. The song by way of epilogue, in the Irish strain, was a good hit, and its success was answerable.

Monthly Review.

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In point of merit, this production may be ranked in the same class with *An Hour after Marriage*, to which it has a great similarity in the fable. By this remark, however, we mean not to detract from the author's invention, who, we think, deserves indulgence, for endeavouring to improve upon a piece, that had met with a bad reception last season. The characters of *Whittle* and *Kecksy* are drawn in very lively colours, and afford agreeable entertainment, but the description of *Widow Brady* is sometimes overcharged with indelicacy.

Critical Review.

Manifestly written to exhibit a character which has never before been brought upon the stage; it is sprightly and comic, but its merit lies rather in character than incidents, and the effect of the dialogue rises chiefly from the provincial dialect. Other excellence was not intended, and upon the stage, other excellence is not missed.

Gent. Mag.

1413. *Valpy's Poetical Blossoms.* Vide article, 1294.

There are some imitations of *Horace* and *Anacreon* here, which seem to promise, that when the blossoms are matured, the fruit will not be despicable, provided the tree be not spoiled for want of pruning, of which there will be some room for apprehension, if the knife is held in too much contempt.

Monthly Review.

If this young gentleman is not a good poet, he has assumed a modest title. His preface too is modest, though it is nonsense. His poetry is tolerable in a school-boy, but indicates no genius.

London Mag.

1414. *An Essay on Woman.* Vide article, 1297.

This author writes somewhat in *Churchill's* manner, i. e. with more spirit than correctness, more energy than harmony. If we mistake not, this performance is the production of the same pen, to which we are indebted for a poem on Education.

Monthly Review.

Though this poem is not a first-rate performance, the subject seems to have inspired the bard, and to have made his verses in general, smooth, and frequently nervous.

London Mag.

1415. *The Kenrickad.* Vide article, 1368.

Abuses *Kenrick* for abusing *Roscius*; a poor design and poorly executed.

Monthly Review.

An allegorical poem, intended to satyrise the author of *Love in the Suds*, for his injurious treatment of *Mr. G.* in that performance.

Critical Review.

1416. *The Memoirs of an American.* Vide article, 1282.

These

These volumes are entitled to rank immediately above the common class of novels. But, tho' they possess, in some degree the power of interesting the reader, they are confused in their manner, and furnish an imperfect entertainment. The historical parts, tho' seemingly relative to matters of fact, are trifling and want precision. Monthly Review.

These volumes are of so mixed a texture, that you cannot, while you are reading them, well know where to have the author; you are at a loss to know when he writes in the character of the novelist, and when he assumes the dignity of the historian. They, however, are not unentertaining, upon the whole. The American's private story, with all its accompaniments, is related in such a manner, as to interest the reader in his domestic affairs; and there are, throughout this part of his little work, many strokes of the natural and the pathetic. Critical Review.

1417. The Egg. Vide article, 1278.
The title-page is enough. Monthly Review.

1418. The genuine Minutes of the East-India Committee, &c.
Vide article, 1288.
Reprinted from the London-Packet. Monthly Review.

1419. The Minutes of the East-India Committee. Vide article, 1287.
We suppose that both this and the foregoing publication are of equal authenticity. Monthly Review.

1420. The genuine Report of the Select Committee, appointed to enquire into the East-India Affairs. Containing the original Papers, referred to in the *Genuine Minutes*. 8vo. 1s. Evans.

These are said to be taken verbatim, from the original on the table of the House of Commons. Monthly Review.

1421. The Report made to the House by the Select Committee, &c. Containing every particular relative to the Petition of Gregore Cojamaul, in behalf of himself and other Armenian Merchants; together with Copies of the original Papers, referred to in the *Minutes of the Select Committee*. 4to. 1s. Bladon.

This edition is also said to have been carefully printed, from the copy, compared with that on the table of the House of Commons. All these papers are certainly of great importance, and very interesting in their nature, on account of the true light, which they reflect on our affairs in the East-Indies. Monthly Review.

1422. A Let-

1422. A Letter to Sir George Colebrooke. *Vide* article, 1299.

We can learn from this letter, that the author is exceedingly angry, and that he has some talent for abuse. We, in vain, however, look for argument and reasoning. When his passion abates, we may hope that he will have the merit of blushing at the imperfection of this illiberal publication. Monthly Review.

1423. Crocker's Introduction to English grammar. *Vide* article, 1376.

This little introduction recommends itself, by giving a concise view of the principles of our native tongue. The author has added examples of bad English, and examples to illustrate the definitions and rules which are laid down; all which may be usefully employed by an instructor for the benefit of his pupils. To these are joined many other things, all which are comprised in a very small compass; so that we think it, on the whole, very well adapted to answer the end proposed. Monthly Review.

If any other introduction should be thought necessary to enable a young man to understand Lowth's Grammar, Mr. Crocker's may answer the purpose, perhaps, better than any other publication of the kind which has yet appeared. Critical Review.

1424. Institutes of Botany; containing accurate, complete, and easy descriptions of all the known genera of plants. Translated from the Latin of the celebrated Charles Von Linné, Professor of Medicine and Botany in the university of Upsal, &c. By Colin Milne. Part I. & II. 4to. 12s. boards Griffin. *Vide* articles, 876, 1303.

The science of botany has received so great an improvement from the industry of the celebrated Linnæus, that a translation of the Genera Plantarum into English, must prove of great utility. Dr. Milne has undertaken it, and, exclusive of the version of Linnæus, makes a considerable figure as an author, in the view which he has prefixed of the ancient and present state of Botany. But, previous to that detail, he expatiates on the extent and advantages of the science, and the obstacles that have retarded its progress; setting forth the attempts which have been made for its improvement, and exhibiting the several imperfections peculiar to the different modes of arrangement. Independent of the translation of Linnæus, which is both perspicuous and concise, and delineates the characteristic descriptions of the original with fidelity and precision, Dr. Milne's historical account of Botany highly merits approbation. Critical Review.

1425. Gibson on the Elements of bodies. *Vide* article, 1365.

Though Dr. Gibson differs from other writers, it must be acknowledged, that some of the arguments used by him, for establishing his opinion, are not destitute of plausibility. Critical Review.

This writer has advanced a system which he has left to be proved by others. He has been more assiduous in giving opinions than arguments;—an error which philosophers ought always to be aware of.

London Mag.

This author throws himself out of all systems, and gives way to the vagaries of an idle and romantic fancy. He has read Descartes, Leibnitz, and Newton, without being able to profit by them. Objects of research and science seem too abstruse and complicated for the bounds of his capacity.

Universal Mag.

1426. White on the Management of pregnant women. *Vide* article, 1385.

The author of this treatise proposes regulating the management of lying-in women, respecting both the prevention and cure of febrile complaints, by the same principles which are found, by approved experience, to determine the most salutary practice in other disorders of the like kind; and warmly recommends the propriety of the temperate remedies in those cases. He is of opinion, that the puerperal fever cannot be ascribed to simple inflammation, but says the disease evidently manifests itself to be of the putrid kind, and is a malignant fever of the same genus as the jail or hospital fever; and his arguments in support of this, are not only deduced from the laws of the animal economy, but confirmed by experience; and there is reason to expect, that the prophylactic directions he inculcates will be productive of the most salutary consequences.

Critical Review.

1427. Gillies's Memoirs of Whitefield. *Vide* a title, 1089.

This work is said to be faithfully collected from Mr. Whitefield's original papers, letters, and journals; and to contain an account of every circumstance worthy of notice both in his private and public character: and we shall take the author's word for his fidelity; especially as his compilation appears to be drawn up with great accuracy, and has all the marks of authenticity.

Critical Review.

1428. A new Geographical and Historical Grammar; containing, the true astronomical and geographical knowledge of the terraqueous globe; and also the modern state of the several kingdoms of the world, under these four heads: I. The astronomy of the solar system, and particularly of the earth. II. Universal Geography, shewing the divers circumstances relating to the Earth, Water, and Atmosphere. III. Geographical Elements, exemplified in definitions, problems, theorems, and paradoxes. IV. Particular Geography, concerning the natural and political parts of Europe, Asia, Africa and America. Illustrated with twenty-five maps and plates elegantly executed. By Mr. Salmon. The

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12th edition, with great amendments and improvements, by Mr. Robertson. 8vo. 7s. 6d. Cadell.

Mr. Salmon's account of the solar system and general geography is not sufficiently explicit for beginners; but in the present edition they are treated of more at large, and explained in so familiar a manner, that those who were before entirely unacquainted with those studies may easily understand, or at least obtain such distinct ideas of whatever relates to them, as to be able to account for various phænomena, of which the vulgar retain ridiculous notions. Several other additions are made throughout the work; we cannot therefore but recommend this improved edition, to those who are desirous of acquiring a knowledge both of general geography and of the several nations of the world. Critical Rev.

Mr. Robertson, the editor, we learn, is the very examiner of this article. He has modestly compared himself to the ingenious Fontenelle, and engrossed almost 9 pages of the Critical Review to blazon forth the value of a few unimportant additions. Universal Cat.

1429. Domestic Medicine; or, A Treatise on the prevention and cure of diseases, by regimen and simple medicines. By William Buchan, M. D. 8vo. 7s. 6d. Cadell.

Of all the treatises which have been published, with the intention of diffusing a competent knowledge of medicinal precepts, among those who are unacquainted with the principles of the Esculapian art, the production now before us is unquestionably the most extensive in its plan, as it not only contains the cure both of acute and chronic diseases, but also the rules for preventing them. With respect to the assemblage of useful observations, it may likewise be reckoned the most copious; and these seem frequently to be drawn from the author's own experience, as well as from the writings of others. This work also contains a number of observations and excellent directions relative to the management of children, which, considered either in a physical or political light, lay claim to the attention of the public. Critical Rev.

An improved edition only of a work published twelve years ago, but trumpetted forth now at the desire and expence of Mr. Cadell the publisher. Universal Cat.

1430. Economy of Beauty. *Vide* articles 979, 1305.

The design of these fables is to inculcate, "that personal beauty is, in a high degree, dependent on sentiment and manners." Perhaps the author is somewhat of a visionary, in contending so much for this dogma; but he is excusable, as his intentions are certainly benevolent, and we heartily wish his fair pupils may be convinced that he tells them nothing more than the strictest truth. The fables are written in different kinds of verse; sometimes the verse is varied in the same fable, but this has not a happy effect. The author differs also, in many words, from the common mode of spelling, which we do not always approve. Critical Rev.

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1431. *The Principles of Bridges, containing the Mathematical Demonstrations of the properties of the Arches, the thickness of the Piers, the force of the Water against them, &c. Together with practical Observations and Directions drawn from the whole. By Charles Hutton. 8vo. 2 s. 6 d. Wilkie.*

Containing an attempt towards the theory of bridges, wherein the properties, dimensions, proportions, and other relations of the various parts of a bridge, are, as our author assures us, strictly demonstrated, and clearly illustrated by various examples. Hence, one would suppose the principles on which his calculations are founded would stand the test of all enquiry. We readily admit the calculations to be just, but think the theory far otherwise; indeed, there appears something so very indirect in it, that we are at a loss to account for the author's design in presenting this work to the public.

Critical Review.

1432. *Moore's practical Navigator. Vide article, 578, 1032.*

After the most attentive examination, we have not been able to discover any thing either new or interesting in this work, beyond what is to be met with in other modern books of navigation.

Critical Review.

1433. *An Historical Description of Canterbury Cathedral. Vide articles, 861, 1330.*

This publication is chiefly designed for strangers, who are prompted by curiosity to view the cathedral church of Canterbury. The compiler has given a short history of the origin, the various demolitions, alterations and improvements of this venerable structure, a view of the monuments, with their inscriptions, in the cathedral, cloisters, &c. and a catalogue of all the archbishops, deans, and archdeacons, from their original institution to the present year. An appendix is subjoined, containing a particular account of the burning and rebuilding of the church in the year 1174, translated from the Latin of Gervase, one of the Monks, an eye-witness. In short, the compilation seems to be the work of a faithful and accurate historian.

Critical Review.

1434. *Jones's Friendship with God. Vide article, 1373.*

This writer considers friendship with God, under many different views. He observes, that this friendship was the original state of man, that the restoration of it is the grand design of the gospel, and that it is restored wherever christianity is cordially embraced. The treatise is drawn up in a plain and practical form, and may be read with edification and comfort by the serious and pious christian.

Critical Review.

1435. *Whitty's Sermons. Vide articles, 874, 1337.*

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These discourses are written upon the Calvinistic scheme; yet the serious reader will find in them a vein of good sense and piety, flowing in an easy, but not, in the least degree, low or contemptible language.

Critical Review.

1436. Merivale's Daily Devotions for the Closet. *Vide* article, 1285.

The late worthy author of these prayers had prepared them for the press, just before his death; and it was his desire that they should be published. Two of them were drawn up by another hand. Some expressions in them are borrowed from Doddridge, Watts and others. They are, in general written in a very proper style, and animated with a laudable spirit of devotion.

Critical Review.

1437. Pennington, on Pluralities. *Vide* articles, 1002, 1306.

The intention of this writer is to shew, that the permission of non-residence, and a plurality of benefices, has been the occasion of many scandalous abuses. For this purpose, he commences an enquiry at the first establishment of christianity, and brings it down to the present age. In the course of his remarks he endeavours to refute the arguments advanced by Wharton, in his defence of pluralities, Warner, in his Ecclesiastical history and others. He has displayed acuteness and learning, but, in our opinion, too much acrimony in this performance.

Critical Review.

1438. Youth. A Poem. By Hartson. *Vide* article, 1378.

The natural progress and pursuits of youth, thro' the stages of childhood and puberty are agreeably painted in this poem, where the author's genius appears to be as much animated with the fervour of his subject, as his mind is enlightened by reflection. The descriptions and sentiments are equally beautiful, and the gradations of life are characterized by such circumstances as are not only peculiar to the distinct periods, but also the best fitted for receiving the embellishments of poetry.

Critical Review.

Tho' we cannot compliment Mr. Hartson, with being a first-rate poet, he is very far from being in the last class of rhimers: our bard promising to attain some esteem amongst the muses.

To. & C. Mag.

1439. The Explanation. *Vide* articles, 1281, 1319.

Though there is nothing very interesting in these volumes, tho' the characters are not very strongly marked, nor the little business in them very artfully conducted; the perusal may afford amusement to those who deal in this sort of manufactured literature.

Critical Review.

1440. The Way to Lose Him. *Vide* article, 1387.

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Whatever faults the critical reader may find in this novel, it seems calculated to be of service to the unmarried fair ones of the age, who, when they are happily addressed by men every way worthy of their attention, are so little acquainted with their true interest, as to occasion the desertion of them, from the capriciousness and indiscretion of their behaviour.

Critical Review.

Written solely for the use of the Circulating Library, and very proper to debauch all young women who are still undebauched.

London Mag.

Written in much the same strain with the Way to Please Him, but designed as an imitation of the manner of Richardson. It is rather unfortunate, when a writer of no genius is seized with the ambition of rivalling the beauties of a celebrated writer. He perpetually loses by the contrast.

Universal Mag.

1441. The Way to Please Him. *Vide* article, 1386.

The subject of the Way to lose him is particularly addressed to unmarried ladies; this seems to be as well executed for the instruction of married ones. Those especially who have husbands of a roving turn, and strongly disposed to neglect their wives, in search of temporary intimacies with other women, will be interested in the perusal of these volumes.

Critical Review.

See article 1440. The same character will do for both.

London Mag.

Written in the form of a narrative, and though not destitute of vivacity, yet fails to interest. The author discovers too slender an acquaintance with the human heart. In order to paint scenes that will awaken the passions, it is necessary to possess sensibility.

Universal Mag.

1442. Hope's Letters on certain Proceedings in Parliament. *Vide* articles, 1112, 1218.

Evinced the author to be a gentleman of sense and independent spirit, and seeming to contain a faithful account of the transactions in the House of Commons, during the period specified in the title-page.

Critical Review.

1443. Hargrave on the Negro Cause. *Vide* article, 1370.

Highly judicious and elaborate, and discovering the author to be possessed of distinguished abilities for the bar. The important question relative to domestic slavery, is here investigated with great accuracy and precision, and the unlawfulness of slavery in England clearly shewn, by arguments drawn from history, law and natural justice.

Critical Review.

This argument confers honour upon the author of it. He has collected great variety of learning, every article of which, tends to the point in view. The argument and the case reflect honour upon each other.

London Mag.

1444. Directions, and Observations relative to Food, &c. *Vide* article, 1381.

Drawn up in a careless manner. Several of the directions and observations are frivolous. It contains, however, many useful dietetical precepts, respecting the three non-naturals of which it treats. Critical Review.

1445. Edie, on Shooting. *Vide* article, 1301.

The gentleman who here favours us with observations on shooting, seems to be a competent master of the subject, and the directions he delivers are certainly such as may conduce to the improvement of the young sportsman. Critical Review.

1446. The Description of an entertaining and useful Instrument, called Gunter's Quadrant. By William Leybourn. 8vo. rs. Cadell.

This little tract which contains a complete description of Gunter's Quadrant, so called from the name of its inventor, Edmund Gunter, was originally written by William Leybourn, and since his time, much improved by several successive editors; in this edition, which is the fourth, the reader will find the usual lines upon the quadrant, clearly explained, and the use of the quadrant and nocturnal well described. To which are added, some examples illustrating the use of the ring-dial, whereby the latitude, first, and then the hour of the day, may be found in any place throughout the habitable world. We, therefore, take the liberty to recommend this description (at the desire of Mr. Cadell, our employer) as a work of considerable utility to the purchasers of that useful Instrument. Critical Review.

1447. Six Letters to Philip Le Hardy, parish-priest in the island of Jersey. 8vo. 6d. Hooper.

As personal disputes are not properly subjects of criticism, we shall only observe, that these letters appear to be dictated by indignation rather than malevolence, and contain some spirited expostulations. They are founded upon papers printed, some time since, in the Public Ledger, attempting to traduce the author of the Authentic narrative of the oppressions of the islanders of Jersey, and said to have been written by Mr. Philip Le Hardy.

Critical Review.

We have reason to believe the Authentic narrative, &c. (vide art. 3, 279.) to be written by Dr. Shebbeare. Universal Cat.

1448. Letters from an English Gentleman, concerning the late transactions in Copenhagen. *Vide* art. 1279, 1314.

The design of this pamphlet is to justify the late violent measures of the popular party at the court of Copenhagen. The author discovers such a zealous attachment to the side of the Queen-dowager, that we are strongly induced to question the authenticity of

his representations; and there is likewise reason to suspect, that this travelling gentleman has performed his tour in the closet.

Critical Review.

The PUBLICATIONS of DECEMBER.

1449. Observations on the structure and draught of Wheel-carriages. By J. Jacobs. 4to. 99 pages, with 8 of preface and contents. 6s. sewed. Dilly.

Mr. Joseph Jacobs, the author of this piece, we presume, is a coachmaker. He tells us, that he has not made these his thoughts on wheel-carriages public, through any vanity to appear as an author, but gives them as the result of a number of very perplexing experiments that he has made, and some perfectly simple ones. He acknowledges himself very much indebted to the assistance of Dr. Kenrick, who has enabled him to acquit himself with any degree of propriety as a writer. The method pursued in this tract, is that of entering first into the principles of the draught of carriages in general; the most obvious way of acquiring a true knowledge of the operation of compound and complicated machines being to proceed gradually from that of the most uniform and simple, to the more multiform and complete. Having done this, the author proceeds to offer some improvements he has occasionally made, and some which he thinks might still be made, in which he has shown himself not only an expert artist in his profession, but a man of understanding and ingenuity. He has illustrated his principles by the addition of 14 explanatory plates.

- 1450. Tutte l'Opere di Niccolo Machiavelli, Segretario e Cittadino Fiorentino. Con una Prefazione di Giuseppe Baretti. 3 vols. Royal 4to. 3l. 3s. boards. Davies.

This edition of Machiavel's is rendered more perfect than any hitherto published, by the addition of several pieces never before collected. Besides the being printed on a fine paper and large type, it is adorned with the portrait of the author elegantly engraved, and some accurate copper-plates, now first designed for the illustration of the Arte della Guerra. Mr. Baretti's preface contains a general view of Machiavel's political principles, and of those which prevailed in Italy at the time he wrote; a concise examination of every distinct work of Machiavel, and such particulars of his life as can be authenticated; with a letter from his son, giving a relation of the precise time when he died, never before made public.

1451. An Apology for the Brute Creation; or, Abuse of animals censured; in a sermon, on Proverbs xii. 10, preached in the

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the parish-church of Shiplake in Oxfordshire, Oct. 18. 1772.
By James Granger, vicar. 8vo. 23 pages. 6d. Davies.

Had this subject been treated in a more general manner, with a little more attention to the feelings of men, and a greater regard to the dignity of the pulpit; the author would not have been censured for preaching it, as, we are told, he has been, but, on the contrary, must have met with the approbation of his hearers: he first considers the character of the merciful man, respecting the life or well-being of his beast, then mentions a few instances of contrariety to this character, and concludes with some reflections upon the whole; but, in doing this, he talks too frequently of the dog and the horse, and is rather mean and vulgar in his ideas. He has published it in his own defence, and dedicated it to T. B. a drayman, in language as low as Tom addresses himself to his horses.

1452. Observations on the general highway and turnpike acts passed in the seventh year of his present Majesty; and also upon the report of the committee of the House of Commons, who were appointed upon the 28th of April 1772, to consider of the above acts. 8vo. 61 pages, with 5 of dedication, &c. 1s. 6d. Johnson.

The production of a gentleman of property and public spirit, Thomas Butterworth Bayley, Esq; of Hope, near Manchester; being a collection of judicious observations, communicated, from time to time, by letters to Thomas Gilbert, Esq; member for the city of Litchfield, pointing out defects in the acts of parliament alluded to, and offering amendments for the same. No abstracts either from the acts, or from the report of the committee, are here given, but the passages under consideration are referred to by notes. As it is supposed these acts will undergo several alterations and amendments in the course of the ensuing sessions, we strongly recommend an attention to these observations to the Gentlemen of both Houses, as they appear to be the result of experience, and seem to be made public, with a desire of contributing to the general-good.

1453. A Summary of the Roman Law, taken from Dr. Taylor's Elements of the Civil Law. To which is prefixed, A Dissertation on Obligation. 8vo. 328 pages, with 70 of Dissertation and 31 of Index, &c. 6s. bound. Payne.

These pages contain those parts of Dr. Taylor's Elements which immediately relate to the subject of Civil Law, selected from the miscellaneous observations with which it abounds; to which are added, by way of notes, some passages from Spelman's Dionysius Halicarnassensis, to explain particular customs; a translation of the principal quotations, and a few remarks by the author of the Summary. The Dissertation was written as notes to the section on the Law of Nature, found in this volume, but formed afterwards, on account of their length, into a separate treatise. It is a careful investigation of the sentiment of Obligation, on which all

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law is founded, wherein a diligent enquiry is made, to what faculty of the human mind that obligation should be referred, and in what situations it is perceived; and the different significations of the word collected, and accurately marked by patient experience. Hence some general maxims are advanced, which, though new, the author wishes to establish as the first principles of morality; one of which is, That our appetites are and must be the original spring of all our actions. Upon the whole, the work cannot but be particularly useful to the student in Civil Law. Though we meet with metaphysical enquiries, the subject is not treated in a dry, abstruse manner, being brightened and rendered easy of comprehension, by familiar examples; by which means it is not only instructive but entertaining.

1454. The Hermitage; a British story. 12mo. 260 pages. 2s. 6d. bound. Printed at York, for the author. Bell.

The editor of this work informs us, that it was written by a gentleman respectable for his knowledge in the useful and ornamental parts of life. It is a romantic tale, pleasingly penned, and told in a kind of poetic prose. But what renders it most valuable is, that it inculcates resignation to the will of Heaven, filial reverence, and universal love.

1455. The Rational Spelling-book; or, An easy method of initiating youth into the rudiments of the English tongue. Containing, 1. Orthography in general. 2. A complete, concise and easy English Grammar. 3. The rudiments of English Grammar rendered easy, familiar, and pleasant, being concisely delivered, for the help of memory, in familiar and entertaining verse. 4. Proper Exercises and Lessons, in prose and verse, fables, prayers, graces, sentences, &c. The whole by John Clarke of Grantham in Lincolnshire. 12mo. 132 pages. with 12 of preface, &c. 1s. bound in buckram. Hawes & Co.

The difference we find between this and other spelling-books is, that whereas, in others, a list of monosyllables are given with the same termination, as rack, pack, jack, &c. that jingle is here avoided, by the words being ranged promiscuously. This, we think, is rather a disadvantage to the work, as, when a child is learning the sound of a word from the letters which compose it, repeated examples of similar sounds will make a more lasting impression on its memory, than a continued variety. Another thing new is, that of words consisting of two or more syllables not being divided by hyphens, thus, de-co-rum, but the syllables thrown together, and afterwards pointed out by giving the first letter of each syllable, thus, decorum, c r. This also, in our opinion, is a disadvantage, as it requires too much study for a child; it would have been better to have divided the word first, and then have given it undivided. as de-co-rum, decorum. We would not have dwelt so long

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long on this article, if the work had not been prefaced with two or three respectable opinions in its favour. There is certainly much room for amendment in our spelling-books, but the author of this does not seem to have hit upon it. Indeed, he has given examples of bad English to be rendered into good, which may have their use; and his having thrown the rules of grammar into poetry may assist the memory.

1456. *The Recantation and Confession of Dr. Kenrick, LL.D.* 4to. 12 pages. 1s. G. Allen.

Patry to the last degree. Prefaced with a low, wretched dialogue, supposed to have passed between Dr. Kenrick and his publisher, Wheble, once a bookseller in Pater-noster-row. The confession relates to the libelling of Mr. Garrick; the dialogue is on the same subject.

1457. *A Grammar of the Persian Language.* By William Jones, Esq; Fellow of University-College, Oxford. 4to. 154 pages, with 24 of preface. 10s. 6d. boards. Printed by Richardson.

To such as wish to become acquainted with the Persian manuscripts, of which there are many valuable ones here pointed out, this work must be a rich acquisition. Mr. Jones professes to have laid down the clearest and most accurate rules, and to have illustrated them by select examples from the most elegant writers. With the help therefore of this grammar, and the assistance of Meninski's Dictionary, (an improved edition of which, by Dr. Uri of Oxford, is now preparing for the press), a studious mind may readily acquire a knowledge of the language; but to read it or speak it, he must have the further assistance of a living instructor. Mr. Jones intends favouring us, in the course of this winter, with a history of the Persian language, from the time of Xenophon to our days, to which will be added a copious praxis of tales and poems, extracted from the classical writers of Persia.—This grammar is beautifully printed on writing-paper.

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We are told in the introduction to this poem, which is in prose, that the author, warm from a first reading of the Nouvelle He-

loise of Rousseau, has attempted a translation of it. The theme is St. Preux, passionate, vehement, tender, sentimental—making with Lord Anson the tour of the world, in order to recover a mind distracted with the loss of his Eloisa, which he is not able to effect. is penned in heroic verse; and, though we cannot call it a first-rate performance, we may consider it as decent. The notes are placed at the end.

1460. The Trial of Dramatic Genius; a poem. To which are added, a collection of miscellaneous pieces. By the same author. 8vo. 102 pages, of which the Trial takes up 31. 2s. Printed for the author. Goldsmith.

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1462. A charge delivered to the clergy of the archdeaconry of Winchester, in the year 1772. By Thomas Balguy, D. D. Archdeacon. 4to. 24 pages. 1s. Davis.

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1463. An Address to the Clergy of the Church of England, in particular, and to all Christians in general, humbly proposing an Application to the Right Reverend the Bishops, or, through their means, to the Legislature, for such Relief, in the matter of Subscription, as in their judgments they shall see proper, together with the Author's Sentiments of the present Forms, and his Reasons for such an Application. By Francis Wollaston, LL. B. F. R. S. Rector of Chislehurst, in Kent. 8vo. 22 pages. 6d. Wilkie.

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 610, l. 20, &c. dele the whole paragraph from the *Ledger*, consisting of ten lines, it alluding to ART. 852.
 624, l. 2, after 328, add 550.
 658, l. 2, after *&c.* add *vid. ART. 4.*
 690, l. 3, after 525, add 566.
 715, l. 1, after *article*, add 437.
 726, l. 1, after 402, add 656.
 733, l. 8, for *is*, read *are*.
 801, l. 11, for 1147, read 1174.

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- ART. 911, line 2, for *The pamphlet*, read *This pamphlet*.
 949, l. 8, for *mere tricious*, read *meretricious*.
 970, l. 2, after 6d. add *did*. ART. 604.
 980, l. 11, for *be received*, read *be well received*.
 1008, l. 6, for *give*, read *given*.
 1009, l. 3, for *and*, read *an*.
 1010, l. 4, for *depend*, read *dependas*.
 1023, l. 4, after *sense*, add *Monthly Review*.
 1046, l. 2, for *furnish*, read *furnishes*.
 1049, l. 1, for *Version*, read *Vision*.
 1077, l. 8, after *view*, add *Critical Review*.
 1103, l. 24, for *to bishop*, read *to a Bishop*.
 1117, l. 16, for *remark*, read *remarks*.
 — l. 17. for *with*. To say, read *with ; to say*.
 1168, l. 10, for 1165, read 1166.
 1183, l. 4, for *eliegic*, read *elegiac*.
 1184, l. 6, for *posological*, read *nosological*.
 1197, l. 1, for 777, read 977.
 1200, l. 12, for *fables*, read *tables*.
 Immediately after this Article, add *Publications of September*.
 1201, l. 6, after *&c.* add *L. Davis*.
 1206, l. 13, for *wishes not to conclude on*, read *wishes us to conclude an*.
 1247, l. 36, 37, for *them those unto*, read *them unto those*.
 1251, l. 13, for *same*, read *some*.
 1271, l. 1, for *Longeran's*, read *Lonnergan's*.
 — l. 3, for *Lonnegan*, read *Lonnergan*.
 1284, l. 7, for *I fall*, read *If all*.
 1292, l. 10, for *make i*, read *make it*.
 1296, l. 10, for *and eradicating*, read *and the eradicating*.
 1428, l. 14, for 7s. 6d. read 6s.
 1460, l. 11, for *is penned*, read *It is penned*.
 1466, l. 9, for *whom*, read *which*.
 1477, l. 12, for *manufacture*, read *manufactures*.
 1499, l. 2, for *Uterin, Hemorrhages*, read *Uterine hemorrhages*.
 1502, l. 1, for 1208, read 1508.
 — l. 6, for *ed at the*, read *published at the*.

